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READ—Letter from the Registrar, Judicial Commissioner's Court, No. 960, dated the 28th March 1891, submitting the Report on the administration of Criminal Justice in the Central Provinces during the year 1890

RESOLUTION.

The total number of cases reported* in the year 1890 was 28,484, of which 2,588 were rejected under Section 203 of the Criminal Procedure Code and 424 were declared false, leaving a balance of 25,472 true cases, against 23,614 in 1888 and 24,446 in 1889. There has been a similar increase of cases brought to trial, these numbering 23,961 in 1888, 24,672 in 1889 and 25,706 in 1890. The work of the Criminal Courts has thus been heavier in 1890 than in either of the two preceding years.

* Reported cases mean cases which come before the Magistrate not cases reported to the Police.

2. The following table exhibits broadly the main classes of crime with which the tribunals had to deal, and shows that the increase of cases brought to trial is due to the larger number of offences (1) affecting the human body, and (2) under special and local laws Offences against property were less numerous.

	1889	1890	Difference.
Offences affecting the human body ...	7,348	7,973	+625
Offences against property	9,503	9,150	—353
Offences under special and local laws ...	5,849	6,490	+641
All other offences	1,972	2,093	+121
Total ...	24,672	25,706	+1,034

The increase in the first class was chiefly due to the larger number of cases of hurt and simple assault (7,087 true cases against 6,471 in 1889), and is attributed to the easier circumstances of the people, which tempted them to resort more freely to the Courts for the settlement of petty quarrels, which in times of distress they would have been content either to overlook or to settle at home. About one-third of all the persons under trial were under trial for offences—mostly trivial ones—of this kind, and the growth of such offences has undoubtedly been stimulated by the facilities for filing complaints furnished by the establishment of a larger number of Honorary Magistrates' Courts. Murders, attempts at murder, and cases of culpable homicide numbered 135 against 187 in the previous year; and the only noticeable feature in the statistics of heinous crime is the increase in the number of dacoities (37 against 27), robberies (80 against 60), and cases of aggravated hurt (310 against 264) with which the Magistracy had to deal. These have been referred to in the Police Report, and it is sufficient to notice here that the dacoities were chiefly the work of gangs who raided into the Saugor District from the neighbouring Native States and Lalitpur.

3. The decrease in the number of offences against property is marked only in the Chhattisgarh Division In the Nerbudda Division there has been hardly any change, while in the other two Divisions offences under this head have increased. The decrease in Chhattisgarh is attributed, with sufficient reason, to better harvests and comparative immunity from cholera.

4. There is a large increase in the number of offences under special and local laws, which is common to the Nagpur, Jubbulpore and Nerbudda Divisions. In the Chhattisgarh Division there is a decrease, the fewer cases brought under the Municipal and Police Acts indicating, as the Commissioner states, a want of energy in the use of the provisions of these Acts for Sanitary purposes. In the other Divisions, on the other hand, these Acts have been freely used, the total number of cases under the Central Provinces Municipal Act, 1889, having risen from 1,914 to 2,113, and under the Police Act from 1,276 to 1,392. A large increase of offences under the Arms Act (231 against 39) is due to more numerous prosecutions in the Saugor District, where the prevalence of dacoity rendered it necessary to enforce the provisions of the law regarding the unlicensed possession of arms. The large number of cases under the Prisons Act (101 against 27) has formed the subject of comment in the Chief Commissioner's Resolution on the Jail Report.

5. The staff of Stipendiary Magistrates was somewhat stronger (131 against 124) and that of the Honorary Magistracy somewhat weaker (206 against 213) than in the previous year. Fewer Magistrates exercised summary powers (27 against 33), but as a set-off against this, there was an increase in the number of Courts exercising the higher powers of a Magistrate. With more work to be done there was a corresponding increase in the effective strength of the tribunals. So far this is satisfactory, but the need of a stronger Magistracy is much felt. The number of European officers at present available for duty as Assistant Magistrates is wholly inadequate, and proposals have been recently submitted to the Government of India which will, it is to be hoped, lead to the strengthening of the Commission and the reinforcement of the Magistracy by the infusion of a larger element of trained European officers In noticing the unsatisfactory manner in which cases are often committed for trial (paragraph 11 of the Report), the Judicial Commissioner significantly remarks that "in some districts the Deputy Commissioner is the only competent Magistrate."

6. The total number of persons disposed of by the Magistrates was 40,020, of whom 5 per cent. were disposed of by District Magistrates, 31 3 per cent by Cantonment Magistrates, Assistant Commissioners and Extra-Assistant Commissioners, 32 6 per cent. by Tahsildars, and 31·1 per cent by Honorary Magistrates. The share of the work which fell to Honorary Magistrates was slightly less than in the preceding year, owing to the issue of orders restricting the kind of work to be entrusted to them, and directing, *inter alia*, that Police cases should not, as a rule, be sent to inexperienced Benches for trial. The Judicial Commissioner reports that the effect of these orders has been beneficial, and that the cases now made over to Magistrates of this class are such as they are qualified to deal with satisfactorily. Tahsildars performed a larger amount of work than in the preceding year, but if the figures for the year 1886 are compared with those of the year under report, it will be seen that much relief has

been afforded of late years to these officers by the establishment of more Honorary Magistrates' Courts. The figures are given in the following table:—

	Persons disposed of in			
	1886.		1890.	
	No.	Per cent.	No	Per cent.
By Deputy Commissioners ..	2,126	5 3	1,981	5·
By Cantonment Magistrates, Assistant Commissioners and Extra-Assistant Commissioners ...	11,031	27	12,495	31·3
By Tahsildars ..	16,589	41 3	13,165	32·6
By Honorary Magistrates	10,357	25 9	12,379	31·1
Total .	40,103	...	40,020	..

This table also indicates the growth of the criminal work which falls to the share of Assistant Magistrates, and emphasizes the necessity for an addition to the staff of Assistant Commissioners.

The Chief Commissioner is glad to learn that the work of the Honorary Magistrates continues to be well spoken of, and notices with satisfaction the arrangement referred to in paragraph 10 of the Report, under which it receives the Judicial Commissioner's personal supervision. Mr. MacDonnell's special acknowledgments are due to the Honorary Magistrates and Benches mentioned in paragraph 12 of the Report as having rendered most assistance to the Administration.

7. Of 41,367 persons brought before the Magistrates for enquiry or on trial, 22,730 or 54·9 per cent. were convicted or committed, the remainder being acquitted or discharged. The percentage of convictions has fallen steadily since 1887, when it stood at 60·8, and this is attributed in great measure to the constant increase in the number of complaints of hurt and assault, a large proportion of which are compromised or dismissed in default. The number of persons under trial for these offences was 11,013 in 1887 against 13,833 in 1890, indicating a large increase of such complaints during the period in question. Compared with last year, the percentage of convictions has fallen in murder cases from 75 to 64, but risen in cases of culpable homicide from 61 to 75, in rapes from 49 to 52, in dacoities from 65 to 67, and in robberies from 49 to 62. So far then as the more heinous forms of crime are concerned, the statistics for 1890 are from the comparative point of view not unfavourable. In thefts the percentage (77) remained unchanged; in burglaries it fell from 46 to 41; in cases of receiving stolen property it rose from 61 to 75. In hurt cases it fell from 37 to 35, and in assault cases from 34 to 33, and these low figures largely affect the Provincial average of convictions. In cases of this class and in cases of defamation and intimidation much depends on the discernment of the Magistracy, and the right use of their po ver to reject complaints and to award compensation to accused persons against whom frivolous complaints have been lodged.

Although, as observed by the Judicial Commissioner, the proportion of convictions is not by itself a suitable standard whereby to judge of the efficiency of the Magistracy, it is a useful test to apply to the working of the Courts, and may often enable supervising officers to detect weak spots and remedy defects. There is much truth in the Judicial Commissioner's remark that many fruitless prosecutions are evidence either that the Magistrates' Courts are used for the purpose of annoying innocent people, or that they fail as a machinery for eliciting the truth.

8. Of 22,165 persons punished, 58·8 were sentenced to fine only, 5·5 to whipping only, 28·6 to imprisonment only, and 5·2 to imprisonment with fine or whipping or both Compared with last year, the most noticeable fact is the increase in the proportion of sentences to fine only (58·8 against 55 8). This may be partly due to the increase in the number of offences under special and local laws already referred to, but the remarks of the Judicial Commissioner show that cases occur in which fine is improperly ordered as a punishment for offences against property; that sufficient use is not made by subordinate Magistrates of the provisions of Section 349 of the Code of Criminal Procedure; and that in sentencing persons to fine, the Courts often omit to pay sufficient regard to the circumstances of the accused, and impose fines which there is no hope of realizing. The statistics relating to punishments show improvement, however, in the decrease of very short sentences of imprisonment (except in the Nerbudda Division, where the results are more unfavourable than last year) and of light whipping sentences.

The defects pointed out by the Judicial Commissioner demand the close attention of District Magistrates, whose duty it is to guide the subordinate Courts. District Magistrates receive a daily calendar from each Court showing what cases each Magistrate has disposed of, their nature, and the sentences passed; and if the calendar is properly and systematically scrutinized, few cases of improper sentences should escape immediate notice, followed by early remedy.

9. The table given in paragraph 20 of the Report furnishes information regarding the punishments awarded to old offenders. In 39 cases persons who had been previously convicted twice or oftener were sentenced to imprisonment not exceeding 6 months. In 17 cases persons who had 4 or more previous convictions against them were sentenced to terms of imprisonment not exceeding 2 years. It is difficult to believe that in all these cases the sentences passed were sufficiently deterrent, and the Chief Commissioner trusts that the matter will now receive the Judicial Commissioner's renewed attention. It is essential, in the interests of the criminal administration, that exemplary punishments should be awarded to all habitual offenders, and care should always be taken to secure the trial of such persons by Courts that are competent to pass adequate sentences on them.

10. The statistics relating to the detention of witnesses and the duration of cases in the Magisterial Courts are less favourable than those of the preceding year. The percentage of witnesses discharged on the 1st day fell from 88· to 84·4, and there was a corresponding increase in the percentage of those detained over one day. The average duration in Police cases was 5·3 against 5· in 1889, and in complaint cases 23·7 against 20·6. Judged by these tests the action of the Courts was characterized by loss promptitude in the disposal of business.

11. The number of Sessions cases tried by Commissioners of Divisions, who are also Sessions Judges, was 122 (the same as in the preceding year); and the percentage of convictions to persons disposed of was 80 (against 73 in 1889). There were 34 cases in each of the Nagpur and Nerbudda Divisions, 32 in Chhattisgarh and 22 in Jubbulpore. In the Jubbulpore Division, however, 124 persons were involved (of whom all were convicted) against 67 in the Nagpur, 62 in the Nerbudda, and 51 in the Chhattisgarh Division. The average duration of Sessions cases, calculated from the date of commitment, was 48·1 days against 42·8 days in 1889. Duration increased in all the Divisions except Jubbulpore, where it fell from 43·3 to 36·5 days—a very low average, considering that three of the stations where Sessions are held in this Division are off the Railway and situated at a distance of between 60 and 80 miles from the head-quarters of the district.

12. The number of appeals disposed of by the several appellate Courts was nearly the same as in the preceding year, District Magistrates having disposed of 1,487 (against 1,492), Courts of Session of 1,166 (against 1,160) and the Judicial Commissioner of 164 (against 158). It is observed, however, that while appeals increased in the Courts of the Commissioners of Nagpur and Jubbulpore from 295 to 368 and 279 to 328 respectively, they fell in the Nerbudda Division from 868 to 305, and in the Chhattisgarh Division from 218 to 195. In the Court of the Judicial Commissioner the percentage of sentences confirmed on appeal was 76, in Sessions Courts 73, and in District Magistrates' Courts 83. The corresponding figures in the previous year were 62, 72, 68. Thus a larger proportion of sentences from all classes of Courts have stood the test of appeal. The high percentage of reversals in the Chhindwara, Seoni and Wardha Districts appears to deserve the Judicial Commissioner's attention.

13. The appellate work of the Judicial Commissioner has increased by about 50 per cent. since 1886, when the appeals to his Court numbered 109. References for confirmation of sentence of death have doubled in the same interval, revisionary work remaining more or less stationary. The cordial acknowledgments of the Chief Commissioner are due to the Judicial Commissioner, Mr. Neill, for his careful supervision of the working of the Courts, and for his ready assistance to the Administration in all matters in which his advice is sought.

ORDER.—Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Registrar, Judicial Commissioner's Court, for the information of the Judicial Commissioner; also that copies, bound with the Report, be distributed as usual, and that it be published for general information in the *Central Provinces Gazette*.

[True Extract.]

F. C. ANDERSON,
Secretary.

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Report on the Administration of Criminal Justice in the Central Provinces during 1890.

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No. 960.

FROM

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Central Provinces,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,

Central Provinces.

SIR, *Dated Nagpur, the 28th March* 1891.

I am directed to submit the Report on the administration of Criminal Justice in the Central Provinces for the year 1890 with the District and Divisional Reports.

A.—Statement of Crime.

2. The following figures show the total number of cases reported and the total number returned as true for each of the last three years :—

	Reported cases.	Cases rejected under Section 203, C. P. C.	Cases declared false.	True cases.	Percentage of true to reported cases.
1888 ...	27,482	3,456	412	23,614	85·9
1889 ...	27,585	2,790	349	24,446	88·5
1890 ...	28,484	2,588	424	25,472	89·4

By reported cases is meant cases which come before Magistrates, not cases reported to the Police. This has been pointed out in previous reports, and it would have been unnecessary to repeat it were it not that the Deputy Commissioner, Jubbulpore, has misunderstood the letter of the Government of India in the Home Department (Judicial) No. 10—1123, dated the 7th July 1888, to enjoin an opposite practice. The letter quoted does not order any change in the method of preparation of the Statements.

There is a continued decrease in the number of complaints dismissed under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code. This matter is discussed at length in most of the reports, some officers reporting that sufficient use is not made of the power of summarily rejecting complaints, while others consider that Magistrates have gone as far in this direction as is advisable. There is a marked decrease (from 461 to 81) in the number of complaints so rejected returned from the Jubbulpore District which is not explained in the report. It is evident that generally District Officers have paid attention to the matter, and there seems no reason to dissent from the view expressed in last year's report that the power is sufficiently used. Magistrates of the third class, before whom a large proportion of the petty complaints come, are not empowered to make or order a preliminary enquiry under Section 202, Criminal Procedure Code, and have therefore no guide in admitting or rejecting a complaint but the complainant's own statement.

The total number of reported cases is 899 more than last year, while the resulting number of true cases is 1,026 more. The percentage of true cases has risen by ·9, owing to the decrease in the number of complaints rejected.

3. The following is a comparative Statement showing the true cases reported under each class of offences during the past two years in each district of the Province.

TABLE A.

True offences reported under each class in 1889 and 1890, for each District in the Central Provinces.

Districts	Year	Offences under the Penal Code.																				Offences under special and local laws	Total number of offences
		Offences against the State Chapter VI	Offences relating to the Army and Navy Chapter VII	Offences against the public tranquillity Chapter VIII	Offences by or relating to public servants Chapter IX	Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants Chapter X	False evidence and offences against public officers, Chapter XI	Offences relating to Coin and Government Stamps Chapter XII	Offences relating to weights and measures Chapter XIII	Offences affecting the public health safety convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV	Offences relating to religion Chapter XV	Offences affecting the human body Chapter XVI	Offences against property Chapter XVII	Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks Chapter XVIII	Criminal breach of contracts of service Chapter XIX	Offences relating to marriage Chapter XX	Defamation Chapter XXI	Criminal intimidation, insult, or annoyance Chapter XXII	Security for peace and good behaviour and breach of other laws	
Nagpur	1890	1		37	6	20	24	7	5	25	4	1 260	723	4	1	57	56	72	496	2 746
	1889			29		37	23	9	3	19	4	1 125	641	11		39	53	77	497	2 543
Chanda	1890			1		9	11	1	1	8		546	283	1		6	13	25	216	1 131
	1889					6	6	1	1	6		515	213			9	6	25	235	1 019
Bhandara	1890			1		9	15	1	1	16	1	330	454	1		5	3	11	227	1 064
	1889			4		12	4	3	1	10	2	349	359			6	3	9	195	908
Wardha	1890		1	5	2	13	9	2		9	2	634	446	5	1	9	6	17	363	1 535
	1889			7	1	16	29	2		6		630	440	5		12	5	15	339	1 472
Balaghat	1890				3	2	5	4		4	2	244	214	2		7	6	7	80	600
	1889					7	6			6		191	253			6	9	1	1 118	690
Jubbulpore	1890	1		11	4	16	33	12		18	1	700	977	1		40	49	18	1 040	2 969
	1889			13	3	5	28	7	1	19		601	706			36	35	13	1 019	2 885
Saugor	1890			2	1	41	43	1		17		498	883			11	16	4	938	2 455
	1889			2	1	26	31	1		19		403	753			17	9	5	716	2 118
Damoh	1890					13	6		1	7	1	297	834	7		7	15	6	165	897
	1889			2		11	6			7		283	856	1		11	19	6	160	900
Seoni	1890		1	4	1	6	17	6	1	9		424	402			25	9	4	104	1 007
	1889			3		5	15	4		6		438	419			41	10	3	125	1 069
Mandla	1890			1		3	4	1		7		94	223			6	2	5	165	459
	1889					1	7		1	7		86	266			1	1	2	81	475
Hoshangabad	1890			7		6	23	2		17		536	539	3		18	15	6	292	1 369
	1889			7		9	23	2		17		470	544	4		14	19	8	256	1 328
Betul	1890			1		2	13	1		12		168	179			23	12	6	170	626
	1889			4		14	13	2		4		225	257	1		23	4	17	170	698
Narsinghpur	1890			6		15	20	2		27	1	458	623	1		19	16	6	870	2 000
	1889			3		17	16	2		5		451	574	6		34	12	21	625	1 966
Chhindwara	1890		1	6	2	5	9	3		2	1	332	297	1		21	9	10	329	1 061
	1889			6	1	6	9	2		4	2	254	267	1		11	6	15	117	691
Nimar	1890			3		12	6	1		1		415	311			13	11	20	486	1 308
	1889			3		20	6	1		1		290	237	2		11	9	15	377	916
Raipur	1890			5	1	2	15	6		2		448	1 011			14	14	5	141	1 726
	1889			6		11	31	8		2		490	1 704			4	13	15	201	2 014
Sambalpur	1890			3	1	6	31	3		4		845	646			31	7	15	164	1 315
	1889			10		7	44	2		5		543	897			6	10	20	213	1 459
Bilaspur	1890			6		16	17	2		7		276	648	2		24	19	20	288	1 160
	1889			11		13	19	4		8		330	1 007			13	19	12	288	1 466
Total	1890	1	1	118	30	252	217	68	9	199	11	7 933	9 026	15	1	321	284	135	6 317	25 473
	1889			100	27	288	268	68	5	205	14	7 358	9 490	37		296	280	297	5,790	24,466

TABLE A 2.

Number of cases brought to trial in each District of the Central Provinces during the years 1889 and 1890.

Districts	Year	Offences under the Penal Code																	Offences under special and local laws.	Total number of offences	Difference
		Offences against the State, Chapter VI	Offences against the Army and Navy, Chapter VII	Offences against the public tranquility, Chapter VIII	Offences by or relating to public servants, Chapter IX	Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X	False evidence and offences against public officers, Chapter XI	Offences relating to coin and Government Stamps, Chapter XII	Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII	Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV	Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV	Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI	Offences against property, Chapter XVII	Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII	Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX	Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX	Defamation, Chapter XXI	Criminal intimidation, insult or annoyance, Chapter XXII	Security for peace and good behaviour, and breach of other laws		
Nagpur ...	1890		..	37	6	35	24	7	5	22	4	1,224	736	4	..	37	56	72	616	2,885	+259
	1889		.	22	.	37	23	2	1	19	...	1,137	645	1	1	38	53	77	566	2,626	
Chanda ...	1890		..	...	3	6	11	1	3	8	...	561	287	1	...	6	14	35	221	1,157	+216
	1889	.	...	1	3	9	8	1	.	3	2	446	221	...	...	7	5	24	211	941	
Bhandara ...	1890	...	..	4	3	17	15	1	4	10	1	323	457	...	...	5	3	11	227	1,091	+175
	1889	...	..	4	1	13	4	3	6	13	2	254	400	1	...	8	3	9	195	916	
Wardha ..	1890	...	..	7	1	19	9	2	3	9	2	658	446	1	...	9	6	17	363	1,552	+50
	1889	...	...	8	2	16	23	3	3	6	...	655	410	5	...	12	5	15	339	1,502	
Balaghat ..	1890	...	.	.	3	7	5	4	5	6	2	244	214	2	...	7	9	7	85	600	+3
	1889	...	..	...	...	5	8	..	...	4	..	197	255	2	...	7	...	1	116	597	
Jubbulpore ..	1890	..	..	11	4	18	31	12	10	18	..	704	990	1	...	40	48	18	1,080	2,995	+457
	1889	..		16	3	5	13	7	2	19	1	603	756	...	...	36	35	13	1,020	2,538	
Saugor ...	1890	...	...	2	1	41	42	1	8	17	1	510	888	...	...	11	16	4	933	2,475	+334
	1889	..	..	7	10	26	31	1	10	19	1	518	763	7	...	17	9	5	717	2,141	
Damoh ...	1890	.	...		3	14	6	.	...	1	...	305	386	.	...	8	13	5	169	910	+10
	1889			2	1	11	6	.	1	7	.	283	386	1	...	11	19	7	165	900	
Seoni ...	1890	...	..	10	...	9	17	9	4	9	.	424	403	..	...	25	9	4	104	1,027	−62
	1889	...	...	5	1	11	15	1	2	19	.	438	419	.	...	41	10	2	125	1,089	
Mandla .	1890	..	...	...	.	4	15	2	.	5	.	92	221	..	...	6	2	3	106	456	−21
	1889	.	..	...	8	12	7	2	.	7	.	90	267	2	...	1	1	5	80	477	
Hoshangabad ...	1890	..	...	7	3	26	23	6	27	17	.	523	557	3	...	18	15	8	293	1,535	−5
	1889	..	..	3	7	51	23	8	18	12	.	484	548	4	...	14	19	17	326	1,540	
Betul ..	1890	.	...	3	1	15	13	1	11	4	.	179	180	...	...	22	13	6	170	623	−85
	1889	..	..	1	...	13	6	2	5	3	1	247	237	1	...	10	4	2	176	708	
Narsinghpur ...	1890	..	..	5	2	15	20	2	7	27	.	476	623	1	...	19	18	20	875	2,110	+225
	1889	..	..	6	10	17	25	5	5	27	.	500	574	6	...	22	34	31	623	1,885	
Chhindwara ...	1890	...	...	5	2	5	16	3	.	2	.	322	237	...	...	21	12	10	329	966	+305
	1889	...		3	1	6	9	2	.	4	2	254	227	1	...	11	9	15	117	661	
Nimar ...	1890	...	..	3	...	12	7	.	1	1	.	305	208	2	...	10	11	22	486	1,069	+127
	1889	...	...	..	1	20	9	2	2	8	.	242	248	1	...	9	9	15	379	942	
Raipur ...	1890	...	...	3	2	27	17	6	9	2	...	459	1,023	..	...	45	14	8	146	1,761	−288
	1889	..	.	6	3	13	31	8		2	...	504	1,221	1	...	32	13	14	201	2,049	
Sambalpur ...	1890	...	...	5	12	8	31	3	...	43	...	363	650	...	...	6	7	45	164	1,337	−179
	1889	...	...	12	4	7	44	2	...	32	...	260	897	2	...	6	7	29	211	1,516	
Bilaspur ...	1890	...	..	6	5	16	17	5	..	7	...	281	644	...	...	24	19	20	123	1,167	−487
	1889	...	..	11	10	13	19	4	..	3	..	286	1,032	2	...	13	19	12	280	1,654	
Total ..	1890	...	...	114	51	293	319	66	97	208	11	7,972	9,150	15	—	312	295	315	6,490	25,709	+1034
	1889	...	.	112	60	283	304	59	85	207	13	7,348	9,503	37	1	295	257	233	5,849	24,672	

And the following table gives similar details of the total number of cases brought to trial in each district during the year 1889 and 1890:—

4 The subjoined table shows and compares the heinous crime of the two years.

Number of head of crime		Number of offences (cases) brought to trial		Increase or Decrease
		1889.	1890	
19	Murder	103	100	—3
20	Attempt at murder	21	21	...
21	Culpable homicide	13	14	+1
49—52	Dacoity	27	37	+10
30	Aggravated hurt	264	310	+46
46—48	Robbery	60	80	+20
40	Rape	54	34	—20
42	Thefts (with aggravating circumstances)			..
61	Criminal trespass (for commission of serious offences)	1,876	1,842	—34

There is nothing calling for notice under the head of murder and kindred offences These are of the usual type, the great majority being cases in which women were concerned. The criminal administration of the year has been markedly successful in dealing with dacoity and robbery The details belong properly to Police administration it will be enough to mention here that the year under report witnessed what there is every reason to believe to be the final break up of Tantia's gang, his successor Bondia having been killed in action against the Maharaja Holkar's police, the complete suppression of the formidable gang under Dasrath Raot in Bilaspur, Dasrath himself having been taken by the District Superintendent of Police, and considerable success in Saugor in dealing with the dacoits from over the border. In 16 cases in this latter district, 111 persons were brought up for trial and 86 convicted. Bilaspur was also relieved of a gang who had long infested the ghats of the Arpa river and by an ingenious combination of swindling and open robbery plundered successfully up to the town itself. Their last intended victim, a retired Police Constable, proved however more than a match for them

5. The following table shows the action of the Courts in dealing with cases of hurt and simple assault for the last five years:—

	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Offences reported ...	8,570	7,525	8,452	8,318	8,74
Complaints rejected under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code ...	1,809	1,583	1,836	1,684	1,465
Other cases struck off as false ...	227	142	141	163	197
Balance returned as true ...	6,534	5,800	6,475	6,471	7,087
Number of persons under trial ..	12,616	11,043	12,585	13,476	13,833
Acquitted or discharged ...	7,965	6,437	7,413	8,448	8,714
Convicted	4,448	4,111	4,543	4,500	4,425
Died, escaped, or under trial at close of year	403	486	629	528	694

The increase in the number of these cases is attributed in most of the reports to the people being generally better off. In times of scarcity people have no heart for petty quarrels. The decrease in the number of complaints rejected has already been referred to. The number of complainants ordered to pay compensation to accused persons has risen from 202 to 226, the same number as in 1888. The number of complainants to whom compensation was ordered to be paid from fines has fallen from 1,058 in 1889 to 1,016 in the year under report.

6. The following table shows the action of the Magistrates in offences relating to marriage, in cases of defamation, and in cases of criminal intimidation, insult, or annoyance in 1889 and 1890:—

	Marriage.		Defamation.		Intimidation	
	1889.	1890.	1889	1890.	1889.	1890
Cases reported	423	470	421	437	431	423
Cases rejected under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code	127	149	160	153	134	98
Cases struck off as false . .	...	...	1			2
Balance returned as true .	296	321	260	284	297	323
Persons under trial ...	350	388	487	469	579	548
Persons acquitted or discharged ...	258	292	352	356	392	368
Persons convicted	74	76	106	92	162	164
Died, escaped, or pending at close of year ..	18	20	29	21	25	14

Thus out of a total of 1,405 persons under trial, 1,016 were acquitted and only 334 convicted. The corresponding figures for 1889 are 1,416, 1,002 and 342. In the case of offences relating to marriage the difficulty among the low castes and aboriginal tribes of these Provinces of proving the due performance of the ceremony is the principal obstacle to conviction.

7. The number of cases returned as true under the more important special and local Acts during the years 1889 and 1890 is given below:—

	Number of true cases.	
	1889.	1890.
Code of Criminal Procedure.		
Chapter VIII. { Section 107. Security for keeping the peace ...	38	39
Chapter VIII. { Sections 109, 110. Security for good behaviour ...	141	192
Breach of other Laws relating to—		
Arms, Ammunition and Military Stores Act, XI of 1878 ...	39	231
Cantonments Act, XIII of 1889	379	465
Cattle Trespass Act, I of 1871	263	281
Excise Act, XXII of 1881	593	541
Forest Act, VII of 1878	316	282
Gambling Act, III of 1867	49	54
Municipalities Act, XVIII of 1889	1,914	2,118
Opium Act, I of 1878	505	457
Police Act, V of 1861	1,276	1,392
Prisons Act, XXVI of 1870	27	101
Railways Act, IX of 1890	70	84
Stamp Act, I of 1879	114	70

The large increase under the Arms Act occurred in Saugor, where there were 160 cases against 11 the year before. This was due to the strict enforcement of the law against unlicensed possession of arms necessitated by the outbreak of dacoity in the district. The Deputy Commissioner reports that the prosecutions were for the most part only intended to enforce attention to the provisions of the law, and that the sentences inflicted were as a rule of a few rupees only. The Commissioner approves of this policy. The increase under the Cantonments Act occurred in Jubbulpore (69) and Saugor (21); in Nagpur (Kamptee Cantonment) a large proportion of the cases under this Act (24 out of 87) and under the Municipalities Act (88 out of 297) are said to have been "struck off as false." As proceedings under these Acts are not taken by private complainants this result requires explanation. The increase under the

Prisons Act occurs mainly in Jubbulpore, the number of cases being 73 against 15 in the previous year. The District report attributes this to greater energy in prosecuting. The Commissioner disapproves of these prosecutions, which he considers to have been unnecessary, as the offences sent up for trial were such as the Superintendent could have dealt with himself There were no cases under the Vaccination Act; it appears that in Hoshangabad, where last year there were 40 cases, the Act has never really been introduced Owing apparently to the fact that the Census Act is not included in the printed form of statement, very few of the reports refer to it. The number of prosecutions under it appears to have been but small. Some cases under Section 187, Indian Penal Code, came lately before the Judicial Commissioner from the Raipur District, which should more appropriately have been dealt with under the Census Act.

B.—Tribunals.

8 The following table shows the strength and distribution of the Magistracy at the close of the year :—

TABLE B.

Number and distribution of Magistrates.

Districts	Stipendiary Magistrates			Honorary Magistrates		
	First Class (including Deputy Commissioners)	Second Class	Third Class.	First Class	Second Class	Third Class
Nagpur ...	6	5	1	2	11	9
Chanda ...	4	8	..	...	1	7
Bhandara ...	3	3	..	1	.	..
Wardha ...	4	3	1	...	10	8
Balaghat ...	2	1	1	..	.	...
Jubbulpore ...	6	6	...	..	5	3
Saugor ...	3	6	1	...	5	10
Damoh ...	2	2	..	.	3	10
Seoni ...	2	2	..	...	..	8
Mandla ...	2	2	..	..	...	...
Hoshangabad .	5	5	1	1	3	15
Betul ...	2	2		...	..	7
Narsinghpur ...	2	4	1	.	2	8
Chhindwara ...	2	2	.	..	...	11
Nimar	4	3	...		3	12
Raipur ...	5	5	1	...	12	19
Sambalpur ...	3	3	1	.	4	8
Bilaspur ...	4	3	2	...	..	9
Total ...	61	60	10	4	59	148

The following table is added in order to meet the wish expressed in paragraph 6 of the Resolution on last year's Report for a clearer statement of the number and distribution of Benches of Honorary Magistrates.

TABLE B. 2

Number and distribution of Benches of Honorary Magistrates :—

District	Town	Number of Magistrates	*Powers of Bench
Nagpur ...	Nagpur ...	9	2nd Class.
	Umrer ...	5	3rd ,,
	Ramtek ..	3	3rd ,,
Chanda ...	Chanda ..	4	3rd ,,
	Warora ..	4	3rd ,,
Wardha ...	Wardha ...	4	3rd ,,
	Arvi ...	4	3rd ,,
	Ashti ...	4	2nd ,,
	Hinganghat ...	4	2nd ,,
Jubbulpore ...	Jubbulpore ...	6	2nd ,,
	Murwara ..	2	3rd ,,
Saugor ...	Saugor ..	9	2nd ,,
	Rehli	8	3rd ,,
	Deori ...	8	3rd ,,
Damoh ..	Damoh ..	9	2nd ,,
	Hatta ..	8	3rd ,,
Seoni ...	Seoni ...	8	3rd ,,
Hoshangabad ...	Hoshangabad ...	5	2nd ,,
	Seoni ...	5	3rd ,,
	Sohagpur ...	8	3rd ,,
	Harda ...	4	3rd ,,
Betul ...	Badnur ...	7	3rd ,,
Narsinghpur	Gadarwara ...	4	3rd ,,
Chhindwara .	Chhindwara ...	4	3rd ,,
	Pandhurna ...	4	3rd ,,
	Mohgaon ..	8	3rd ,,
Nimar ...	Burhanpur ...	4	2nd ,,
	Khandwa ...	5	3rd ,,
	Mandhata ...	5	3rd ,,
Raipur ...	Raipur ...	9	2nd ,,
	Dhamtari ..	4	3rd ,,
	Arang ...	4	3rd ,,
	Drug ..	6	3rd ,,
Sambalpur	Sambalpur ...	3	3rd ,,
	Bargarh ...	3	3rd ,,
Bilaspur ...	Bilaspur ...	3	3rd ,,
	Ratanpur ..	6	3rd ,,

Bhandara, Mandla and Balaghat are the only districts in which there were no Benches. In the Resolution on last year's Report the Chief Commissioner mentioned Burha, Tirora and Katol as places where he desired to see Benches formed. The Deputy Commissioner, Bhandara, has submitted recommendations for a Bench at Tirora, and hopes also to form one at Sakoli The Nagpur and Balaghat reports do not say what was done at the other two places, but the Judicial Commissioner believes that it has not been found possible to establish a Bench at either. The Murwara Bench in Jubbulpore was reconstituted during the year.

*These are the highest powers exercisable; the powers of a Bench are not always the same.

The number of Magistrates, exclusive of District Magistrates, empowered to try summarily at the end of 1890 is given below :—

Cantonment Magistrates	...	...	... 3
Assistant Commissioners	...	...	... 4
Extra-Assistant Commissioners	...	...	... 19
Bench of Honorary Magistrates, Khandwa			... 1

C.—Distribution of work.

9 Tables C and D show in what proportion the work of the Criminal Courts was distributed amongst the various classes of Magistrates in each district, and the number and percentage of cases tried summarily :—

TABLE C.

Distribution of Work.

Districts.	Persons disposed of by						
	Deputy Commissioners	Cantonment Magistrates, Assistant Commissioners and Extra Assistant Commissioners at head quarters	Tahsildars at District head quarters	Honorary Magistrates at District head quarters	Stipendiary Magistrates in the interior of Districts	Honorary Magistrates in the interior of Districts	Total
Nagpur .	75	2,268	190	799	905	535	4,772
Chanda ..	69	243	.	157	688	350	1,507
Bhandara ...	63	814	14	268	650	...	1,809
Wardha ...	120	570	374	183	449	1,083	2,784
Balaghat ..	63	278	479	...	134		954
Jubbulpore ..	88	1,578	284	1,351	758	187	4,246
Saugor	179	1,289	364	455	997	402	3,636
Damoh .	156	280	217	299	155	188	1,295
Seoni ..	111	428	204	524	541	.	1,808
Mandla .	108	303	223	-	142		776
Hoshangabad ...	49	830	144	118	991	488	2,620
Betul ...	70	255	172	84	272	88	941
Narsinghpur .	389	1,005	305	323	439	784	3,245
Chhindwara .	167	182	242	259	316	325	1,491
Nimar ...	73	498	66	428	125	349	1,539
Raipur ..	89	737	109	438	594	828	2,745
Sambalpur ..	86	401	270	169	200	745	1,871
Bilaspur ...	76	537	407	115	789	57	1,981
Total ...	1,981	12,451	4,064	5,970	9,145	6,409	40,020
Percentage ...	5·0	31 1	10 1	14 9	22·9	16 0	100

TABLE D.

Use of summary powers.

Districts.	Total number of cases tried by Stipendiary Magistrates exercising summary powers.			Number of cases tried summarily.			Percentage of cases tried summarily to total cases tried.
	By Magistrate of District.	By Stipendiary Subordinate Magistrates.	Total.	By Magistrate of District.	By Stipendiary Subordinate Magistrates.	Total.	
Nagpur ...	42	377	419	...	121	121	28·9
Chanda ...	45	95	140	12	19	31	22·1
Bhandara ...	50	436	486	8	102	110	22·6
Wardha ...	66	281	347	26	69	95	27·3
Balaghat ...	29	169	198	2	14	16	8·1
Jubbulpore ...	68	684	752	3	294	297	39·5
Saugor ...	65	543	608	3	9	12	2·0
Damoh ...	107	198	305	60	107	167	54·8
Seoni ...	79	258	337	23	146	169	50·1
Mandla ...	69	186	255	41	67	108	42·0
Hoshangabad ...	33	371	404	5	102	107	26·5
Betul ...	46	160	206	29	70	99	48·1
Narsinghpur ...	292	171	463	231	63	294	63·5
Chhindwara ...	86	115	201	17	3	20	9·9
Nimar ...	37	334	371	3	70	73	19·7
Raipur ...	34	222	256	4	61	65	25·4
Sambalpur ...	68	...	68	3	...	3	4·4
Bilaspur ...	31	141	172	3	25	28	16·3
Total ...	1,247	4,741	5,988	473	1,342	1,815	30·3

10. The total number of persons disposed of by the Magistrates was 40,020 against 40,352 in the preceding year. The percentages of distribution amongst the various classes of Magistrates for the past three years are compared below :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
District Magistrates ...	5·4	4·9	5·0
Assistant Commissioners, Extra-Assistant Commissioners at head-quarters and Cantonment Magistrates ...	29·3	29·9	31·1
Other Stipendiary Magistrates ...	33·3	33·2	33·0
Honorary Magistrates ...	32·0	32·0	31·1

The decrease in the proportion of work done by Honorary Magistrates is due to the issue of the orders referred to in paragraph 9 of last year's Resolution restricting the kind of work to be entrusted to them. The effect of these orders has been beneficial, and the Judicial Commissioner believes that the cases now made over to Honorary Magistrates are such as they are qualified to dispose of efficiently and satisfactorily. Statements showing the work done by Honorary Magistrates in all districts are submitted monthly to this Court and records are frequently called for and examined. In spite of the remarks in paragraph 8 of the Chief Commissioner's Resolution on last year's Report, the Deputy Commissioner, Narsinghpur, continued to try summarily a large number of nuisance cases under the Municipal and Police Acts. The Commissioner shows that there was perhaps some justification for his action having regard to the Magisterial staff at Narsinghpur There is also a single Honorary Magistrate at Narsinghpur, not a Bench. All the same the Deputy Commissioner should reserve himself for more important work. In Raipur, cases under the Municipal Act were transferred from the Bench to the file of a first Class Magistrate for summary trial. The Judicial Commissioner concurs in the Commissioner's disapproval of this procedure. As remarked in the Chief Commissioner's Resolution, these are the cases Honorary Magistrates are meant to try.

11. The following table shows the number of Sessions cases committed by Deputy Commissioners and Assistants :—

Inquiries under Chapter XVIII, Criminal Procedure Code,

Number of cases committed to the Sessions in 1890.

District	From Districts.	By Deputy Commissioners	By Assistants
Nagpur	7	1	6
Chanda	7	2	5
Bhandara	8	7	1
Wardha	1	1	...
Balaghat	11	8	3
Jubbulpore	7	2	5
Saugor	5	.	5
Damoh	4	4	...
Seoni	5	5	...
Mandla	2	2	..
Hoshangabad	9		9
Betul	3	3	.
Narsinghpur	12	.	12
Chhindwara	19	17	2
Nimar	19	17	2
Raipur	16	5	11
Sambalpur	6	5	1
Bilaspur	13	2	11
Total	154	81	73

The number of committals is the same as in 1889, but a larger proportion were made by Deputy Commissioners. The Commissioner, Chhattisgarh Division, reports that committals to his Court are often made in an imperfect and unsatisfactory manner. The Judicial Commissioner has noticed cases in other Divisions regarding which the same complaint might have been made. In some districts the Deputy Commissioner is the only competent Magistrate.

12. The Honorary Magistrates and Benches who rendered most assistance during the year are shown in the following list :—

Districts.	Town or residence of Honorary Magistrates.	Names of Honorary Magistrates.	Class.	Number of accused persons disposed of.
A.—At District Head-quarters.				
Nagpur	Nagpur	Mr. Gangadhar Rao	1st Class	345
Bhandara	Bhandara	R. B R. Yudo Rao	Do.	268
Saugor	Saugor	Bench	2nd Class	455
Damoh	Damoh	Do.	3rd Class	297
Seoni	Seoni	Do.	Do.	524
Narsinghpur	Narsinghpur	R. B. Seth Tikaram	2nd Class	323
Chhindwara	Chhindwara	Bench	3rd Class	259
Nimar	Khandwa	Do.	Do.	428
Raipur	Raipur	Do.	2nd Class	438
Jubbulpore	Jubbulpore	Do.	Do.	1,315
B.—At places in the interior where there is also a stipendiary Magistrate.				
Wardha	Hinganghat	Bench	2nd Class	376
Saugor	Rehli	Do.	3rd Class	238
Hoshangabad	Harda	Do.	Do.	258
Narsinghpur	Gadarwara	Do.	Do.	511
Chanda	Warora	Do.	Do.	350
C.—At places in the interior where there is no stipendiary Magistrate.				
Wardha	Deoli	Mr. Ram Rao Sadasheo	2nd Class	233
Raipur	Bisrampur	Mr. J. Lohr	3rd Class	227

Rao Bahadur Mukund Balkrishna Buti of Nagpur retired from his office last year. The Jubbulpore Bench continues to dispose of a very large amount of work, although it no longer tries cases summarily. The quality of the work done by Honorary Magistrates continues to be highly spoken of.

13. The following tables show the amount and proportion of Criminal work done by the different classes of Magistrates during the last five years :—

TABLE E.

Work done by Deputy Commissioners.

Districts	Persons disposed of.				
	1886.	1887.	1888	1889.	1890.
Nagpur	122	56	64	111	75
Chanda	35	43	40	8	69
Bhandara	82	82	71	41	63
Wardha	86	76	159	134	120
Balaghat	120	196	84	70	63
Jubbulpore	195	100	105	43	88
Saugor	126	210	90	146	179
Damoh	123	113	130	151	156
Seoni ..	36	111	89	119	111
Mandla	129	117	83	115	108
Hoshangabad	67	84	45	42	49
Betul	300	102	105	59	70
Narsinghpur	67	97	200	284	389
Chhindwara	133	98	206	96	167
Nimar	36	70	54	206	73
Raipur .. .	121	91	100	82	39
Sambalpur ...	154	156	256	126	86
Bilaspur	194	177	185	164	76
Total ..	2,126	1,979	2,016	1,997	1,981
Percentage to total disposed of by all Magistrates	5 3	5 2	5 4	4 9	5 0

TABLE F.

Work done by Cantonment Magistrates, Assistant Commissioners and Extra Assistant Commissioners.

Districts	Persons disposed of.				
	1886.	1887	1888	1889	1890
Nagpur	1,232	914	1,443	1,848	2,268
Chanda	481	373	283	236	243
Bhandara	504	639	691	991	814
Wardha	408	567	464	535	575
Balaghat	559	569	207	264	278
Jubbulpore	1,664	1,409	1,403	1,485	1,578
Saugor	1,056	795	657	845	1,239
Damoh	276	353	243	304	280
Seoni	443	395	247	473	428
Mandla	393	347	211	279	303
Hoshangabad	408	706	841	1,131	830
Betul	357	309	466	347	255
Narsinghpur ...	731	851	626	772	1,005
Chhindwara	147	240	145	152	182
Nimar	391	657	698	795	542
Raipur	1,134	1,181	931	952	737
Sambalpur	369	350	851	736	401
Bilaspur . ..	478	428	539	434	537
Total ..	11,031	11,083	10,946	12,579	12,495
Percentage to total disposed of by all Magistrates .	27 0	28 9	29·3	31 1	31 3

TABLE G.

Work done by Tahsildars.

Districts.	Persons disposed of.				
	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Nagpur	930	974	1,089	847	1,095
Chanda	1,264	1,032	783	628	688
Bhandara	1,219	647	353	485	664
Wardha	714	583	765	976	823
Balaghat	658	710	622	560	613
Jubbulpore	1,002	914	602	607	1,042
Saugor	1,603	1,360	1,222	1,171	1,361
Damoh	329	444	254	371	372
Seoni	571	834	740	608	745
Mandla	564	566	388	399	365
Hoshangabad	1,113	677	1,000	1,025	1,135
Betul	380	393	335	479	444
Narsinghpur	765	644	817	819	744
Chhindwara	792	645	537	504	558
Nimar	371	94	355	284	147
Raipur	1,800	1,510	743	747	703
Sambalpur	1,043	1,451	447	657	470
Bilaspur	1,471	1,332	1,432	1,742	1,196
Total ...	16,589	14,810	12,484	12,909	13,165
Percentage to total disposed of by all Magistrates. ..	41·3	38·6	33·3	31·9	32·6

TABLE H.

Work done by Honorary Magistrates.

Districts.	Persons disposed of				
	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Nagpur ...	1,559	1,220	1,467	1,947	1,334
Chanda	108	366	518	587	507
Bhandara ...	96	149	439	111	268
Wardha	1,210	1,279	1,027	1,205	1,266
Balaghat ...	...			.	...
Jubbulpore	1,312	1,060	1,382	1,292	1,538
Saugor	609	521	843	1,015	857
Damoh	294	279	271	554	487
Seoni		.	29	652	524
Mandla	6	10	.	...	
Hoshangabad	796	535	503	690	606
Betul ...	373	368	219	180	172
Narsinghpur	1,757	1,522	1,149	1,039	1,107
Chhindwara	181	163	149	300	584
Nimar	436	468	495	263	777
Raipur	1,122	1,680	2,160	1,710	1,266
Sambalpur	498	803	1,209	935	914
Bilaspur	...	38	97	387	172
Total	10,357	10,461	11,957	12,867	12,379
Percentage to total disposed of by all Magistrates. ..	25·9	27·3	32·0	31·8	31·1

And the following tables show in like manner the number of Warrant cases disposed of during the last five years by each of the different classes of Magistrates in each district:—

Deputy Commissioners.

Districts	Warrant cases disposed of in				
	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890
Nagpur	42	45	42	45	37
Chanda	21	26	31	8	30
Bhandara	34	49	33	21	39
Wardha . ..	47	42	63	60	40
Balaghat ..	78	88	18	33	19
Jubbulpore . ..	114	53	46	29	62
Saugor . ..	80	122	47	69	59
Damoh	55	75	52	102	93
Seoni	18	64	24	46	53
Mandla	66	56	35	53	54
Hoshangabad	42	27	21	23	30
Betul .	47	39	17	10	18
Narsinghpur	30	47	50	51	62
Chhindwara ...	20	16	31	41	33
Nimar ...	10	41	21	31	17
Raipur . .	76	66	29	32	24
Sambalpur	69	66	34	36	63
Bilaspur	74	59	38	90	27
Total ...	923	983	632	780	760

Cantonment Magistrates, Assistant Commissioners and Extra-Assistant Commissioners.

Districts	Warrant cases disposed of in				
	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890
Nagpur ...	337	260	400	499	554
Chanda ..	187	161	150	129	135
Bhandara ..	223	265	267	274	296
Wardha	149	203	218	227	242
Balaghat	300	316	103	149	134
Jubbulpore	550	574	642	635	595
Saugor	319	335	225	312	550
Damoh	141	205	143	164	175
Seoni	242	205	134	258	203
Mandla ..	163	165	120	131	146
Hoshangabad . .	376	326	553	403	355
Betul	191	110	156	167	115
Narsinghpur	342	406	289	353	378
Chhindwara	85	137	65	64	81
Nimar ..	281	311	466	307	260
Raipur ...	529	579	459	478	329
Sambalpur	175	173	435	384	188
Bilaspur ...	190	195	231	189	261
Total	4,780	4,926	5,055	5,103	4,997

Tahsildars.

Districts	Warrant cases disposed of in				
	1886	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Nagpur ..	269	222	266	157	250
Chanda ..	483	447	235	222	309
Bhandara ...	458	305	168	197	249
Wardha ...	140	96	144	160	174
Balaghat ...	209	229	237	211	274
Jubbulpore ...	291	359	270	314	538
Saugor ...	686	559	541	485	642
Damoh ...	134	212	125	202	196
Seoni ...	200	308	231	233	309
Mandla ...	201	190	124	172	114
Hoshangabad ..	298	269	255	342	419
Betul ...	141	171	117	111	135
Narsinghpur ...	190	200	211	292	278
Chhindwara ..	200	226	149	189	192
Nimar ...	42	33	34	76	50
Raipur ...	669	608	310	373	391
Sambalpur ...	413	757	246	286	229
Bilaspur ...	625	650	635	791	522
Total ..	5,649	5,841	4,328	4,813	5,271

Honorary Magistrates.

Districts	Warrant cases disposed of in				
	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Nagpur .	392	320	326	367	296
Chanda ..	41	48	68	154	152
Bhandara ..	28	17	48	4	19
Wardha ...	186	166	141	170	167
Balaghat ..	...	...	.	...	...
Jubbulpore .	388	434	393	342	466
Saugor ...	111	145	169	256	135
Damoh ..	11	1	63	43	17
Seoni ..	.	...	8	224	162
Mandla ..	6	6	...	..	...
Hoshangabad ...	64	105	74	54	55
Betul ..	32	27	6	1	6
Narsinghpur ..	345	356	284	185	109
Chhindwara ..	60	35	49	42	37
Nimar ..	84	75	60	58	96
Raipur ..	283	485	622	407	350
Sambalpur ...	239	464	520	312	327
Bilaspur .	...	28	54	176	57
Total ..	2,270	2,712	2,885	2,885	2,451

D.—The action of Tribunals of original jurisdiction.

14. During the year 41,367 persons were brought before the Magistrates for enquiry or on trial; of these 22,730 were convicted or committed, while 17,219 were acquitted or discharged, the percentage of convictions being 54·9 as against 56·3 in 1889.

Tables I. and J. show the proportion of persons convicted under the principal classes of offences, and the proportion convicted in each district :—

TABLE I.

Result of trials and inquiries by Magistrates under selected offences.

Number of head of crime (Statement No. II.)	Description of selected offences.	Number of persons disposed of by discharge, acquittal, conviction, or committal.	Convicted or committed.		
			Number.	Percentage in 1890.	Percentage in 1889.
3—5	Offences against public tranquillity ...	764	370	48·	57·
6—7	Offences by or relating to public servants ...	56	35	62·	58·
8	Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants ...	463	303	65·	62
9	False evidence and offences against public officers ...	108	57	53·	55·
10	Offences against public justice ...	342	208	61·	63·
11	Offences relating to coin ...	76	41	54·	65·
12	„ „ to stamps ...	1	1	100·	25·
13	„ „ to weights and measures ...	110	61	56·	72·
14—17a	Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, &c. ...	358	257	72·	75·
19	Murder ...	136	87	64·	75·
21	Culpable homicide ...	16	12	75·	61·
31	Hurt ...	4,802	1,691	35·	37·
34	Criminal force or assault ...	8,337	2,734	33·	34·
40	Rape ...	44	23	52·	49·
43	Theft (ordinary and of cattle) ...	6,943	5,343	77·	77·
44	Extortion with aggravating circumstances ...	3	2	66·	
46—48	Robbery ...	140	87	62·	49·
49—52	Dacoity ...	210	141	67·	65·
53	Criminal misappropriation of property ...	158	122	77·	74·
54	Criminal breach of trust ...	262	154	59·	62·
55	Receiving or habitually dealing in stolen or plundered property ...	332	249	75·	61·
56	Cheating ...	128	49	38·	43·
58	Mischief with aggravating circumstances ...	131	76	58	48·
59	Mischief ordinary	556	136	24·	31·
61	Criminal trespass for commission of various offences ...	2,471	1,933	78·	78·
62	„ „ other cases, house-breaking, house-trespass or breaking open a closed receptacle ...	1,984	814	41·	46·
63	Forgery or uttering or possessing forged documents .	22	10	45·	62
71	Defamation ...	448	92	20·	23·
72—73	Criminal intimidation, insult or annoyance ...	534	166	31·	29
77,97,101	Nuisances under the Cantonment, Municipal and Police Acts .	4,337	3,815	88·	87·
78	Breaches of law relating to Cattle trespass ...	722	294	41·	41·
85	Do. Excise ...	729	607	83·	85·
89	Do Forests ...	789	519	65	67
90	Do. Gambling ...	319	252	79·	82
98	Do. Opium ...	533	437	82·	79·
107	Do. Railways ...	109	101	93·	85·
109	Do. Stamps ...	92	69	75·	82·

TABLE J.

Result of trials and enquiries by Magistrates in each District.

Districts	Persons under trial	Convicted or committed	Acquitted or discharged	Died, escaped, transferred or remaining	Percentage of persons convicted or committed to persons tried	
					1890	1889
Nagpur	5,135	2,122	2,647	366	41 3	39 4
Chanda	1,578	850	657	69	53 9	48 5
Bhandara	1,879	1,250	558	65	66 7	64 0
Wardha	2,866	1,174	1,609	83	40 9	40·0
Balaghat	973	536	410	27	55 1	69 6
Jubbulpore ..	4,315	2,866	1,379	70	66 4	62 8
Saugor	3,742	2,292	1,327	123	61 3	54 6
Damoh	1,344	815	478	51	60 6	63 7
Seoni	1,856	926	876	*55	49 9	44·1
Mandla	785	490	284	11	62·4	65 4
Hoshangabad	2,707	1,213	1,405	89	44·8	48 9
Betul	991	623	315	53	62·9	67·0
Narsinghpur	3,356	1,900	1,337	119	56 3	60 0
Chhindwara	1,511	839	651	21	55 5	61 0
Nimar . ..	1,605	881	650	74	54 9	62 0
Raipur	2,770	1,708	1,034	28	61 7	63 0
Sambalpur ...	1,952	1,173	698	81	60 1	67 0
Bilaspur ..	2,010	1,072	904	34	53 3	61 8
Total ...	41,367	22,730	17,219	1,419	54 9	56 3

* Includes one person who is in the Lunatic Asylum

There has been for some time a continued decrease in the percentage of convictions. The figures are :—

1887	...	60·3
1888	...	57·8
1889	...	56·3
1890	...	54·9

which is in a great measure due to the constant increase in the number of complaints of assault and causing hurt; and that again is a consequence of the appointment in different places of Honorary Magistrates and Benches of Magistrates. 11,043 persons were under trial for these offences in 1887.

13,833 in 1890 : the percentage of convictions was in the former year 87, in the latter 32. And it must be remembered that one-third of all the persons under trial are under trial for these offences.

Of all the more frequent offences, house-breaking is the only one in which the percentage of conviction is not as high as in 1889.

The Deputy Commissioner of Chanda has some remarks on the impropriety and impolicy of saying much regarding the proportion of convictions obtained in trials. The Judicial Commissioner would certainly not set up the proportion of convictions as a standard whereby to judge of the efficiency of Magistrates, but many fruitless prosecutions are evidence either that the Magistrates' Courts are used for the purpose of harassing innocent people, or that they fail as a machinery for eliciting the truth. It is therefore well to keep the matter in view in order that inquiry may be made when it seems necessary.

15. The number of persons and of cases disposed of by the four Courts of Session, and the percentages of convictions obtained, are shown below :—

		Cases.	Persons.	Percentage of convictions to number of persons disposed of.
Nagpur	..	34	67	73
Jubbulpore	...	22	124	100
Nerbudda	...	34	62	87
Chhattisgarh	...	32	51	72
Total ..	1890...	122	304	86
	1889...	122	238	73

The percentage of convictions has again risen.

E.—Punishments.

16. The following table compares the sentences passed in Sessions Courts in 1889 and 1890.

TABLE K.

Punishments in Sessions Courts.

Class of punishment.	1889.	1890
Death	47	43
Transportation for life	49	40
Do. for a term	8	7
Rigorous imprisonment	70	69
Simple imprisonment	...	...
Fine only		...
Whipping only	...	...
Total ...	174	159

17. Table L shows district by district the number and proportion of persons sentenced to different kinds of punishment in Magistrates' Courts :

TABLE L.

Punishments in Magisterial Courts.

Districts.	Total number of persons punished.	Fine only.		Whipping only.		Fine and whipping only.		Imprisonment only.		Imprisonment with fine or whipping or both.		Imprisonment with solitary confinement.	
		Number of persons.	Percentage to total punished.	Number of persons.	Percentage to total punished.	Number of persons.	Percentage to total punished.	Number of persons.	Percentage to total punished.	Number of persons.	Percent age to total punished.	Number of persons.	Percentage to total imprisoned.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Nagpur ..	2,119	1,525	72·0	45	2·2	...	...	437	20·6	73	3·4	39	1·8
Chanda ...	839	525	62·5	60	7·2	...	...	169	20·1	76	9·1	9	1·1
Bhandara ...	1,255	682	54·4	143	11·4	...	...	346	27·6	49	3·9	33	2·7
Wardha ...	1,181	888	75·2	35	2·9	...	...	199	16·9	33	2·8	26	2·2
Balaghat ...	528	272	51·5	75	14·3	...	...	144	27·3	26	4·9	11	2·0
Jubbulpore ...	2,819	1,568	55·8	152	5·4	...	...	918	32·5	145	5·1	36	1·2
Saugor ...	2,010	1,241	61·7	41	2·1	...	...	624	31·2	79	3·8	25	1·2
Damoh ..	816	388	47·6	65	7·9	...	...	318	39·0	23	2·8	22	2·7
Seoni ..	917	551	60·1	60	6·5	...	...	240	26·3	30	3·2	36	3·9
Mandla ...	459	197	42·9	48	10·5	...	...	181	39·4	30	6·5	3	0·7
Hoshangabad ..	1,201	665	55·4	78	6·5	...	...	335	27·9	104	8·7	19	1·5
Betul ...	595	417	70·1	52	8·7	1	0·2	88	14·8	32	5·4	5	0·8
Narsinghpur ..	1,883	1,220	64·9	35	1·8	1	0·1	449	23·8	142	7·5	36	1·9
Chhindwara ...	815	529	64·9	56	6·9	...	...	164	20·2	57	6·9	9	1·1
Nimar ...	887	641	72·3	17	1·9	...	...	152	17·2	54	6·1	23	2·5
Raipur ...	1,697	700	41·3	167	9·8	...	...	725	42·7	69	4·1	36	2·1
Sambalpur ...	1,135	554	48 8	57	5·0	...	...	469	41·3	20	1·8	35	3·1
Bilaspur ...	1,011	450	44·5	33	3·3	...	...	387	38·3	101	10·0	40	3·9
Total ...	22,165	13,013	58·8	1,219	5·5	2	...	6,345	28·6	1,143	5·2	443	1·9

The heading of the last two columns has been altered, as the Commissioner, Jubbulpore, points out that there is no such thing as a sentence of solitary confinement only.

18. The total number of persons punished has fallen from 22,781 to 22,165. The percentage of persons sentenced to fine only has risen from 55·8 to 58·8 while that of persons whipped only has fallen from 6·7 to 5·5, and that of persons imprisoned only from 29·5 to 28·6. There is still a tendency on the part of many of the subordinate Magistracy to unduly prefer the punishment of fine only. In the case of offences against property this punishment is rarely appropriate. Magistrates of the 2nd and 3rd Class do not either take sufficient note of Section 349 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, which permits them to submit their proceedings to the District Magistrate when they have found an accused person guilty and think that he ought to receive a punishment different in kind from or more severe than that which the Magistrate is empowered to inflict. Excepting in the Raipur District, Deputy Commissioners do not appear to have urged subordinate Magistrates to make use of the Section. The Commissioner, Nagpur, considers that sentences of fine are often too severe and passed without due regard to the circumstances of offenders. The Judicial Commissioner has reason to think that this is the case.

19. Table M. shows the proportion of persons sentenced to different degrees of punishments.

TABLE M.

Degrees of punishment inflicted in Sessions and Magisterial Courts.

Degrees of punishment.	1889.		1890.	
	Persons.	Percentage.	Persons.	Percentage.
Imprisonment (*a*)—				
Not exceeding 15 days ...	471	5·7	378	5·0
Do. 6 months ...	6,227	76·0	5,812	76·7
Do. 2 years ...	1,283	15·7	1,191	15 8
Do. 7 „ ...	196	2·4	164	2·3
Exceeding 7 „ ...	18	0·2	12	0·2
Total ...	8,195	100·	7,557	100·
Whipping (*b*)—				
10 stripes and under ...	132	8·8	110	8·6
11 to 20 stripes ...	1,000	62 4	769	60·0
21 to 30 do. ...	462	28 8	403	31·4
Total ...	1,594	100·	1,282	100·
Fine (*c*)—				
Rs.				
10 and under ...	11,578	82 1	11,706	83·0
50 do. ...	2,239	16·0	2,175	15·4
100 do. ...	154	1·1	164	1·2
500 do. ...	77	0·5	60	0·4
1,000 do. ...	1	...	1	...
Exceeding Rs. 1,000 ...	1	...	...	...
Total ..	14,050	100·	14,106	100·

The results given in this table are on the whole satisfactory. The proportion of sentences of imprisonment for a term not exceeding 15 days has fallen from 5·7 to 5, and the proportion of sentences of whipping of ten stripes and under has fallen from 8·8 to 8·6.

It would have been more satisfactory had the lower proportion of sentences of imprisonment for very short terms been observable everywhere, but while three Divisions show a lower proportion, the fourth one, Nerbudda, shows a higher.

20. The following table shows the punishments awarded to persons who had been previously convicted more than once :—

TABLE N.

Re-conviction Statement.

Number of times previously convicted.	Number of persons convicted.	Number of persons sentenced to Imprisonment.							Fine only.	Whipping only.
		Transportation.	Exceeding 7 years.	Seven years and under.	Two years and under.	Six months and under.	Two months and under	Fifteen days and under.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Previously convicted twice ..	242	...	.	23	188	29	..	..		2
Do. do. 3 times ..	84	..	...	26	50	7	...	.	..	1
Do. do. 4 times ..	34	..	.	18	14	2	..	...	.	..
Do do. 5 times ...	10	..	...	10	.	..	..	..	...	...
Do. do. 6 times ...	1		...	1	...	..	..		..	...
Do. do. 7 times ...	4	..	..	2	1	1	...	.	..	...
Do. do 9 times ..	2	.	...	1	1		...	..	...	...
Do do 10 times ...	1	...		..	1	...	...	..	...	...
Do do 19 times ...	1	...	..	1	...	...	...	..	...	...
Total ..	379	..		82	255	39	..	..	...	3

The question of the suitable punishment of habitual offenders has been referred for the opinion of the Judicial Commissioner and need not be considered here. The case of the individual who had 19 previous convictions occurred in Sambalpur. He was sentenced to seven years' rigorous imprisonment; it would seem to have been a proper case for transportation. The record will be examined. Some of the other sentences might seem *primâ facie* inadequate, but they may not be so, and some are explained in the District reports Thus the man who after 10 convictions was again convicted and sentenced to two years' imprisonment, was convicted under Section 403 of the Penal Code of dishonest misappropriation of moveable property, and no higher sentence could have been passed according to law.

F —Fines

21. The fines imposed, realized, remitted by appellate Courts, and struck off as unrealizable, and the amount of compensation awarded to complainants during the past two years, are shown below :—

	1889. Rs.	1890 Rs.
Imposed	1,37,928	1,29,301
Realized	1,14,103	1,17,638
Remitted	7,959	5,959
Struck off	9,513	15,806
Compensation awarded ...	7,679	8,361

The balance for realization at the end of 1889 was Rs. 25,893 as against Rs. 35,982 at the close of the previous year. The decrease is satisfactory The

largest contributions to the total balance for realizations are those of Nimar (Rs. 3,693) and Hoshangabad (Rs. 4,259). A single item of Rs. 1,595 is due in Damoh. The person liable is undergoing imprisonment in default, having, it is said, transferred his property to his son's name to avoid payment. As the Commissioner points out, if the Deputy Commissioner knows this, his proper course is obvious.

G.— Witnesses.

22. Table O. compares the general detention of witnesses in Magistrates' Courts during the past two years, while Table P. shows their detention for 1889 for each district in detail :—

TABLE O.

Detention of witnesses in Magistrates' Courts.

Discharged.	1889.		1890.	
	Number.	Percentage of total witnesses.	Number.	Percentage of total witnesses.
1st day	92,170	88·0	85,664	84·4
2nd day	8,579	8·2	10,787	10·6
3rd day	2,461	2·4	3,222	3 2
After 3rd day	1,521	1·4	1,841	1·8
Total ..	1,04,731	100·0	1,01,514	100·0

TABLE P.

Detention of witnesses in Magisterial Courts according to Districts.

Districts	Number of cases disposed of.	Total number of witnesses discharged	Number discharged.				Percentage discharged on 1st day.
			1st day	2nd day	3rd day.	After 3rd day	
Nagpur	2,578	10,668	8,311	1,503	456	398	77·9
Chanda ..	919	4,813	4,212	449	83	69	87·5
Bhandara ...	1,061	4,732	3,964	607	110	51	83·8
Wardha ...	1,513	6,349	5,121	775	280	173	80·7
Balaghat ...	589	2,376	2,126	153	87	10	89·5
Jubbulpore	2,930	11,433	9,471	1,255	455	252	82 8
Saugor ...	2,372	10,273	7,291	1,854	782	346	71·0
Damoh ..	874	3,520	3,357	107	34	22	95·2
Seoni ...	979	4,862	4,422	402	35	3	90·9
Mandla ...	450	2,181	2,119	40	...	22	97·1
Hoshangabad ..	1,511	6,946	6,585	258	71	32	94·8
Betul ...	596	2,806	2,180	382	132	112	77·7
Narsinghpur ...	1,964	2,178	1,914	167	46	51	87·9
Chhindwara ...	957	3,552	3,037	383	69	69	85·3
Nimar ...	1,037	3,661	2,903	559	131	68	79·3
Raipur ...	1,606	8,390	7,703	452	135	100	91·8
Sambalpur ...	1,272	6,230	5,053	929	182	56	81·1
Bilaspur ...	1,130	6,538	5,895	502	134	7	90·2
Total ...	24,338	1,01,514	85,664	10,787	3,222	1,841	84·4

The results are not so good as last year. Saugor is still worst in discharging witnesses. The falling off is perhaps due to greater accuracy in the returns. The Judicial Commissioner issued orders to ensure this, as he found reason to doubt the correctness of some of the Statements, and discovered that the attendance of witnesses had been calculated in some places on a wrong principle.

23. The following table shows the amount paid in each district to witnesses for their expenses, and the rate of payment per head :—

District.	Number of witnesses discharged.	Amount paid by Government as expenses.	Average payment per head.
		Rs	Rs. a. p.
Nagpur ..	10,668	470	0 0 8
Chanda ..	4,813	365	0 1 8
Bhandara .	4,732	451	0 1 6
Wardha ...	6,349	210	0 0 6
Balaghat ..	2,376	185	0 1 3
Jubbulpore ...	11,433	755	0 1 1
Saugor ...	10,273	530	0 0 10
Damoh ...	3,520	216	0 1 0
Seoni ...	4,862	36	0 0 1
Mandla ...	2,181	284	0 2 1
Hoshangabad ...	6,946	308	0 0 10
Betul ...	2,806	64	0 0 5
Narsinghpur ...	2,178	29	.....
Chhindwara ...	3,558	241	0 1 6
Nimar ...	3,661	236	0 1 3
Raipur ...	8,390	46	0 0 1
Sambalpur ...	6,230	144	0 0 4
Bilaspur ..	6,538	155	0 0 4
Total ...	1,01,514	4,775	0 0 9

The average payment per head only serves to indicate in a way in how many cases witnesses were allowed their expenses.

The Judicial Commissioner has nothing to add to the remarks made in last year's Report, except that greater uniformity is desirable in regard to the payment of witnesses. Evidently the practice in some districts, as Raipur, Seoni and Narsinghpur, is different to that in the rest of the Province. Deputy Commissioners are kept constantly informed by the contingent accounts of the extent to which diet money is being paid, and are therefore always in a position to take action if, like the Deputy Commissioner, Narsinghpur, they think undue parsimony is being exercised. Magistrates should exercise their discretion in the matter of ordering payment of the reasonable expenses of witnesses, in accordance with the rules made by the Local Government and with discrimination and intelligence.

H.—Durations.

24. The average duration in Police cases was 5·3 as against 5· in 1889 and in complaint cases 23·7 as against 20·6. The following table shows the

percentages of Police cases disposed of in different periods, and the average duration for each district:—

TABLE Q

Districts.	Percentage of cases disposed of					
	In 1 day	In 2 days	In 3 and 4 days	In from 5 to 15 days	After 15 days	Average duration.
Nagpur ...	43	13	10	21	13	6 2
Chanda	53	13	7	16	11	6 2
Bhandara ...	57	11	6	16	10	5·1
Wardha ..	40	14	10	18	18	9·3
Balaghat ...	45	14	12	17	12	5 7
Jubbulpore .	53	12	8	17	10	5 0
Saugor ..	44	16	16	17	7	4·9
Damoh ..	78	4	6	9	3	2 6
Seoni ...	53	13	11	18	5	4 0
Mandla ...	70	6	5	12	7	3 8
Hoshangabad ...	52	10	8	21	9	5 6
Betul ..	55	9	13	12	11	5·7
Narsinghpur ...	52	11	6	19	12	6 1
Chhindwara	57	10	5	21	7	4 7
Nimar ..	64	12	7	13	4	3·1
Raipur ..	49	11	10	18	12	5·9
Sambalpur ..	53	16	8	16	7	4 3
Bilaspur ...	41	14	13	20	12	6 3
Total { 1890 ..	52	12	10	17	9	5 3
Total { 1889 ...	53	12	9	17	9	5·0

Damoh and Nimar show the best results, and Wardha again the worst. In some districts a falling off is attributed to adjournments granted to enable the police to prove previous conviction; to this no exception can be taken, nor yet when the longer duration tends to public convenience or is in furtherance of justice. But if such longer duration merely means the detention of witnesses and the unnecessary protraction of the trial, it is to be deprecated.

25. The average duration of cases tried by Courts of Session during the past three years, calculated from the date of commitment, is given below :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
Nagpur ...	29·8	43·8	46·9
Jubbulpore ...	39·6	43·3	33·5
Nerbudda ...	62·7	43·2	58·0
Chhattisgarh ...	44·1	39·6	48·9
Provincial average ...	44·0	42·8	48·1

I—Appeals.

26. The following figures show the number of appeals disposed of by the several classes of Appellate Courts in 1890, as compared with the disposals of the two preceding years :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
To District Magistrates ...	1,573	1,492	1,487
„ Courts of Session ...	1,189	1,160	1,166
„ Judicial Commissioner ...	185	158	164

27. The numbers of persons who preferred appeals in 1888, 1889 and 1890 were :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
In the Court of the Judicial Commissioner ..	252	266	247
Do. do. Commissioner, Nagpur ...	316	355	432
Do. do. do. Jubbulpore ...	300	276	301
Do. do. do. Nerbudda ...	403	418	318
Do. do. do. Chhattisgarh...	267	287	273
Do. do. District Magistrates ...	2,054	2,324	2,058

28. The percentages of appeals rejected and sentences confirmed to appeals disposed of were as follows in each of the last three years :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
In the Court of the Judicial Commissioner...	82	62	76
In Sessions Courts	79	72	78
In District Magistrates' Courts ...	62	68	83

The results of appeals disposed of are shown in the following table:—

TABLE R.

Results of Appeals.

Class of Appellate Courts.	Total appellants disposed of.	Disposal of appeals.									
		Persons whose									
		Appeals were rejected.		Appeals were dismissed.		Sentences were reduced.		Sentences were altered in nature.		Sentences were reversed.	
		Number.	Percentage.	Number.	Percentage.	Number.	Percentage.	Number.	Percentage.	Number.	Percentage.
Court of the Judicial Commissioner ...	233	85	36·5	93	39·9	40	17·1	...	...	14	6·0
Commr., Nagpur Dn.	437	52	11·9	213	48·7	107	24·5	1	0·2	62	14·2
„ Jubbulpore „	312	148	47·4	103	33·0	2	0·6	25	8·0	33	10·5
„ Nerbudda „	311	201	64·6	51	16·4	11	3·5	...	...	47	15·1
„ Chhattisgarh „	248	154	62·1	32	12·9	21	8·4	1	0·4	29	11·7
Magistrates of—											
Nagpur ...	221	57	25·7	61	27·6	30	13·5	2	0·9	55	24·8
Chanda ...	44	24	54·5	7	15·9	4	9·0	1	2·3	6	13·6
Bhandara ...	24	1	4·2	16	66·6	3	12·5	...	...	4	16·6
Wardha ...	139	...	...	68	48·9	8	5·7	...	...	56	40·2
Balaghat ...	7	1	14·3	3	42·8	1	14·3	1	14·3	1	14·3
Jubbulpore ...	181	75	41·4	51	28·2	10	5·5	7	3·9	18	9·9
Saugor ...	117	21	17·9	41	35·0	21	17·9	...	...	34	29·0
Damoh ...	56	...	..	35	62·5	8	14·3	1	1·8	12	21·4
Seoni ...	42	5	11·9	19	45·2	...	...	1	2·3	17	40·4
Mandla ...	15	12	8·0	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	20·0
Hoshangabad ...	162	48	29·6	60	37·0	23	14·2	1	0·6	29	17·9
Betul ...	79	5	6·3	26	32·9	34	43·0	...	...	13	16·4
Narsinghpur ...	283	3	1·0	193	68·2	21	7·5	1	0·4	51	18·0
Chhindwara ...	68	...	...	28	41·1	8	11·8	3	4·4	29	42·6
Nimar ...	74	7	9·4	33	44·6	7	9·4	...	...	11	14·8
Raipur ...	360	169	46·9	58	16·1	57	15·8	...	...	66	18·3
Sambalpur ...	82	25	30·4	39	47·6	5	6·0	...	...	10	12·2
Bilaspur ...	119	53	44·5	41	34·4	7	5·8	1	0·8	17	14·3
Total ...	3,614	1,146	31·7	1,271	35·2	428	11·8	46	1·3	617	17·1

29. The following shows in greater detail the results of appeals to the Judicial Commissioner :—

TABLE S.

Results of the appeals to Judicial Commissioner during 1890.

Appeals from orders passed by	Total number of cases disposed of.	Persons whose				Total number of persons	Percentage of persons whose appeals were rejected and sentences confirmed to total persons disposed of.
		Appeals were rejected and sentences confirmed.	Sentences were reversed.	Order of acquittal reversed	Sentences were reduced.		
Commissioner, Nagpur Dn. ...	21	25	2	1	7	35	71·4
Commissioner, Jubbulpore Dn.	18	19	...	...	2	21	90·5
Commissioner, Nerbudda Dn. .	22	16	5	...	18	39	41·0
Commissioner, Chhattisgarh Dn. ...	24	26	1	...	3	30	86·7
Deputy Commissioners invested with special powers, Section 34, Code of Criminal Procedure ...	79	92	6	...	10	108	85·2
Total ..	164	178	14	1	40	233	76·4

30. The percentages of appeals rejected and sentences confirmed by Commissioners of Divisions have been as follows :—

Nagpur	...	60
Jubbulpore	...	80
Nerbudda	...	81
Chhattisgarh	...	75

31. The following table is intended to show, as far as statistics can show, the supervision exercised by Deputy Commissioners over the Courts subordinate to them :—

TABLE T.

Statement showing the action taken by District Magistrates under Sections 435, 437 and 438, Code of Criminal Procedure, during the year 1890.

Districts.	Number of cases called for under Section 435.	Number of cases in which further enquiry was ordered under Section 437	Number of cases reported to High Court under Section 438.
Nagpur	77	...	1
Chanda	16	3	1
Bhandara	147	...	...
Wardha	95	6	2
Balaghat	36	...	2
Jubbulpore	185	...	10
Saugor	241	...	8
Damoh	117	...	...
Seoni	291	...	...
Mandla	57	...	1
Hoshangabad	378	2	8
Betul	77	..	1
Narsinghpur . ..	Information not available		
Chhindwara	Do.	do.	do
Nimar	203	4	3
Raipur	213	...	...
Sambalpur	81	1	2
Bilaspur	156	...	6
Total ...	2,370	16	45

Most Deputy Commissioners have examined a fair number of the cases tried by their subordinates.

32. The annexed table shows how references to Sessions Judges by District Magistrates specially empowered under Section 34 of the Code of Criminal Procedure were dealt with :—

TABLE U.

References under Section 34, Code of Criminal Procedure, to Sessions Judges.

Sessions Divisions.	Sentences.				
	Referred for confirmation.	Confirmed.	Reduced.	Annulled.	Pending.
Nagpur	10	15	3	...	1
Jubbulpore	38	37	...	...	1
Nerbudda	28	18	8	1	1
Chhattisgarh	22	17	3	1	1
Total ...	107	87	14	2	4

K.—Miscellaneous.

33. Table V. compares the criminal work done in the Judicial Commissioner's Court during each of the past five years :—

TABLE V.

Work done by the Judicial Commissioner.

	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Appeal cases ...	109	140	185	158	164
Revision (persons) ...	1,193	1,121	1,167	1,316	1,155
References for confirmation of sentences of death (persons).	22	33	58	45	43

And Table W. compares the work done in each of the Courts of Session during the same period :—

TABLE W.

Sessions Courts	Sessions cases,					Appeal cases					Reference under Section 34, Code of Criminal Procedure (persons).					Reference to Judicial Commissioner under Section 376, Code of Criminal Procedure (persons).				
	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890
Nagpur	26	28	44	25	34	320	280	268	195	368	7	13	26	27	15	6	10	27	7	6
Jubbulpore ,,	33	38	37	45	22	458	312	290	279	309	23	31	16	26	37	6	8	13	13	7
Nerbudda ,,	22	22	28	33	34	275	311	384	369	294	23	25	36	30	27	5	5	9	13	19
Chhattisgarh .	26	24	23	19	32	162	187	230	218	195	36	24	15	22	21	3	6	5	12	11
Total	107	112	132	122	122	1,215	1,090	1,172	1,160	1,166	94	93	93	105	103	20	29	53	45	43

34. The office of Judicial Commissioner was held by Mr. J. W. Neill from the 1st January to the 18th November and by Mr. F. Venning from the 19th November to the end of the year.

Mr. Neill inspected the following districts during the year :—

Saugor
Damoh
Jubbulpore, and
Narsinghpur.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. L. SAUNDERS,

Registrar.

PRESCRIBED

STATEMENTS.

[Giving Statistics of Civil and Revenue suits and showing totals for each grade of Courts.]

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. I.—(Civil and Criminal).

Statement showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Central Provinces on the last day of the year 1890 with the cost of Tribunals.

Name of Province.			Area.	Population.	Number of Divisions for Courts under Chief Court, but superior to Courts of Districts.	Number of Districts.	Number of Sub-Districts.	Total number of officers exercising original or appellate jurisdiction.					Total number of cases decided.				Total receipts of the Courts	Total charges of the Courts.
								Judges of Chief Court of Province	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief District Courts	Judges of Chief Courts of Districts	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts	Judges of other subordinate Courts	Original.		Appeals			
													Regular.	Miscellaneous	Regular.	Miscellaneous		
1			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Central Provinces.	Territory subject to the High Court	Civil and Revenue	84,445	98,38,791	4	18	50	1	4	18	61	125	1,02,995	8,987	6,647	605	Rs. 13,03,762	Rs. 13,27,405
		Criminal									49	266	24,338	1,216	2,602	215		
	Ditto not subject to the High Court	Civil and Revenue	..	..	..	...	...	...	.	...			...	...	.	..	...	...
		Criminal	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	.	...	...	..	..	...	
		Total	84,445	98,38,791	4	18	50	1	4	18	66	323	1,27,333	10,203	9,249	820	13,03,762	13,27,405

NOTE —Number of European and Native Judicial Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction.

The Civil Courts are those described in Act XVI of 1885 On the Criminal side District Officers are included with 1st Class Magistrates.

CIVIL.

Naib Tahsildars		Munsiffs		Judges of Small Cause Courts		Registrars of Small Cause Courts		Courts of	Tahsildars				Assistant Commissioners						Civil Judges	
Euro.	Natives	Euro	Natives.	Europeans	Natives	Europeans	Natives		1st Class		2nd Class		1st Class		2nd Class		3rd Class		Euro	Natives
									Euro	Natives	Euro	Natives	Euro	Natives.	Euro.	Natives.	Euro.	Natives		
0	44	0	22	3	2	0	2		0	41	0	11	5	12	2	12	4	5	1	11

Deputy Commissioners		Commissioners		Judicial Commissioners.	
Euro	Natives.	Euro.	Natives	Euro.	Natives
18	0	4	0	1	0

CRIMINAL

High Court Judges.		Sessions Judges		Magistrates.	1st Class		2nd Class		3rd Class		Cantonment Magistrates.	
Euro	Natives	Euro	Natives		Euro.	Natives	Euro	Natives	Euro	Natives.	Euro	Natives
1	0	4	0		31	32	3	112	7	147	4	0

*The total columns 7 to 11 show the actual number of individuals as required As same Officer has up some (but not in all) cases both Civil and Criminal powers, the figure totals of columns 10 and 11 are higher than totals

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2.—(Criminal).

Statement of offences reported and persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Central Provinces in the year 1890.

Description of offences.	Number of offences reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	Number of persons.					Remarks.
				Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to an other Province.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Offences against the State, Chapter VI of the Indian Penal Code ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Do. relating to the Army and Navy Chapter VII. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Do. against the public tranquillity do. VIII. ...	126	113	114	823	394	370	1	58	
Do. by or relating to public servants do. IX. ..	50	50	51	69	21	35	...	8	
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants do. X. ..	292	288	293	481	169	303	1	19	
False evidence and offences against public justice do. XI. ...	327	317	320	461	185	265	...	11	
Offence relating to coin and Government stamps do. XII. ...	66	66	66	77	35	42	...	...	
Do. relating to weights and measures do. XIII. ...	97	97	97	112	49	61	1	1	
Do. affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals do. XIV. ...	211	209	208	360	101	257	...	2	
Do. relating to religion do. XV. ...	13	11	11	31	21	10	...	...	
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI. — Offences affecting life ...	297	292	298	392	107	245	1	39	
Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births ...	23	22	22	30	13	17	...	*1	*In the Lunatic Asylum.
Hurt ...	3,229	2,838	2,844	5,518	3,290	2,010	8	210	
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement ...	156	130	130	273	171	90	1	11	
Criminal force and assault ...	5,833	4,558	4,583	8,560	5,603	2,734	18	505	
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labor ...	43	36	37	69	35	34	...	...	
Rape ...	52	41	42	60	26	27	...	7	
Unnatural offences ...	16	15	16	21	7	13	...	1	
Offences against property, Chapter XVII. — Theft ...	5,278	5,090	5,124	7,036	1,600	5,343	9	84	
Extortion ...	90	78	78	145	91	50	1	3	
Robbery and dacoity ...	134	113	117	361	122	228	1	10	
Criminal misappropriation of property ...	119	115	116	162	36	122	...	4	
Criminal breach of trust ...	280	250	252	275	108	154	2	11	
Receving stolen property ..	235	230	235	342	83	249	2	8	
Cheating ...	145	102	102	142	79	50	...	13	
Fraudulent deeds and dispossession of property ..	6	4	4	11	10	1	...	...	
Mischief ...	442	351	3 4	706	475	214	...	19	
Criminal trespass ...	3,024	2,742	2,77	4,573	1,709	2,747	12	104	
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII ...	16	15	15	26	13	10	...	3	
Criminal breach of contracts of service do. XIX ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Offences relating to marriage do. XX ...	470	391	319	388	192	76	1	19	
Defamation do. XXI ...	437	284	285	409	356	92	...	21	
Criminal intimidation, insult, and annoyance do. XXII ...	423	323	315	548	368	166	...	14	
Offences under special and local laws ...	6,554	6,371	6,4-8	8,712	1,776	6,730	10	203	
Total ...	28,484	25,472	25,703	41,534	17,336	22,745	70	1,384	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 3—(Criminal.)

Statement of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the Central Provinces during the year 1890.

Nature of Proceedings.	Total number of cases before the Courts during the year	Number of persons concerned.	Number of persons discharged	Number of persons convicted	Pending at close of the year — Persons	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VI—C, and Section 489	4	4	...	4	.	
2 Proceedings under Chapter VIII, to prevent breach of the peace	4	153	94	55	4	3 pending over a month and 1 less than a month.
3 Proceedings under Chapter VIII, security for good behaviour	19	*221	78	14	..	* One person escaped.
4 Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X	21	27	51	18	19	18 pending over a month and 1 less than a month.
5 Possession, Chapter XII	1	6	14	23	28	Pending less than a month.
6 Frivolous or vexatious complaints summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, Section 250	22	227	..	227	..	
7 Non attendance of jurors or assessors, Chapter XXIII, Section 322	..	.		..	.	
8 Contempts of Courts under Chapter XXXV	3	3	2	1		
9 Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI	31	319	216	94	9	2 pending over a month and 7 less than a month
10 Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII	10	15	34	116	7	2 Do do and 5 do.
11 Proceedings under Section 20 of the Cattle Trespass Act ..	123	263	194	61	8	Pending less than a month.
Total ..	1,258	1,669	683	910	75	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 4.—(Criminal).

Statement showing the general results of Criminal trials in the Tribunals of various classes in the Central Provinces in the year 1890

Class of Courts.	Total number of persons under trial	Persons whose cases were disposed of					Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year	Number of cases disposed of during the year	Average number of days during which each case lasted	Number of witnesses examined	Remarks
		Died escaped or transferred to another Province	Discharged or acquitted	Convicted		Committed or referred					
				On regular trial	On summary trial						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Village Officers ..	...	.	...		.	..	..	.	...		
Subordinate Magistrates — Special Magistrates under Section 14	..	...	.				...	..			
Subordinate Magistrates — Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	3,245	1	1,485	1 663		20	79	1,808	13 6	5,958	
Subordinate Magistrates — Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	26,483	41	10,042	13,4 9	1,331	6 7	828	15,652	13 4	63,456	
Subordinate Magistrates — Benches of Magistrates	9,596	15	5,675	3 93	16	32	383	5,631	17 5	15,170	
District and Divisional Magistrates' cases referred under Section 349 C P Code *	851	..	94	744			16	515	6 6	57	
Chief Magistrates of Districts	2,038	14	694	647	469	252	†54	1,247	11 7	5,921	† Includes one person in Lunatic Asylum.
Courts of Session ..	236	1	45	160	.	..	30	122	48 1	1,338	
Superior Courts			...	.	..	..		...			
Total ..	41,603	72	17,246	19,817	2,160	931	1,378	24,460	14 5	91,848	

*These figures having been included in the totals for Subordinate Magistrates are not taken into the general total at foot of the Statement

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5.—(Criminal).

Statement showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal Tribunals in the Central Provinces in the year 1890.

Class of Tribunals.	Persons sentenced to.								Persons ordered to find or give security or recognizance to keep the peace; or sureties for good behaviour.	Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour.	Detail of punishments.															
				Imprisonment.							Fine.								Imprisonment.					Whipped.		
	Death.	Transportation.	Penal servitude.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Forfeiture of property.	Fine.	Whipping.			Rs. 10 and under.	Rs. 50 and under.	Rs. 100 and under.	Rs. 500 and under.	Rs. 1,000 and under.	Above Rs. 1,000.	Total amount of fines imposed during the year.	Total amount of fines realized during the year.	Amount paid by way of compensation.	15 days and under.	6 months and under.	2 years and under.	7 years and under.	Above 7 years.	10 stripes and under.	20 stripes and under.	30 stripes and under.	Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in reformatory schools.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Village officers ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...
Subordinate Magistrates. Special Magistrates under Section 14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	.	...	..	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...
Subordinate Magistrates. Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	463	4	2	1,138	55	...	2	1,034	151	2	3	...	...	8,813	8,606	1,019	7	446	14	...	...	..	42	13	...
Subordinate Magistrates. Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	5,802	152	484	7,835	1,097	109	84	6,841	1,750	145	30	1	...	93,646	85,109	5,104	288	4,724	942	..	...	103	686	360	...
Subordinate Magistrates. Benches of Magistrates ...	...	...	...	448	12	...	3,631	...	...	...	3,470	188	4	2	...	...	16,099	15,658	1,864	60	400	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
District and Divisional Magistrates' cases referred under Section 349, Criminal Procedure Code * ...	...	...	...	271	1	...	21	297	2	...	17	16	...	1	...	...	702	260	...	3	125	142	2	...	24	138	143	...
Chief Magistrates of Districts ...	...	...	...	595	12	11	409	67	45	30	361	76	13	24	...	...	10,343	8,225	374	23	241	211	132	...	7	41	30	...
Courts of Session ...	...	43	47	...	69	...	...	..	...	...	...	10	...	1	...	...	400	40	...	...	1	24	32	12	...	...	..	...
Superior Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	43	47	...	7,377	180	497	13,013	1,219	154	116	11,706	2,175	164	60	1	...	1,29,301	1,17,638	8,361	378	5,812	1,191	164	12	110	769	403	...

* NOTE.—These figures having been included in the total for Subordinate Magistrates are not taken into the general total at foot of the Statement.

ANNUAL STATEMENT No. 5 A—(Criminal).

(Prescribed by Government of India, Home Department, No 13-1005 of 1882)

SHOWING THE PARTICULARS OF WHIPPING INFLICTED BY THE CRIMINAL TRIBUNALS.

PART I

Showing whippings inflicted under Sections 2 and 3, Act VI of 1864, in lieu of other punishments.

Offences for which awarded	Number of stripes awarded												Total.
	5 and under		6 to 10		11 to 15		16 to 20		21 to 25		26 to 30		
	1st conviction	2nd or subsequent conviction	1st conviction	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction	2nd or subsequent conviction	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction	2nd or subsequent conviction	1st conviction	2nd or subsequent conviction	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
In lieu of other punishments { S 251							...		1	.		...	1
In lieu of other punishments { S 254					1	..			..		...	..	1
(Sections 2 and 3, Act VI of 1864)													
1. Theft as defined in { Section 378, I P C	8	.	63	1	261	2	329	3	148	3	117	7	943
1. Theft as defined in { Section 380 „	1		20	1	39	1	60	.	47	1	29	...	199
1. Theft as defined in { Section 381 „	.	..	6	.	25		34	...	23	...	16	...	104
1. Theft as defined in { Section 382 „										.			.
2.—Extortion as defined in { Section 388 „			.	.			..	...	.	.	..		..
2.—Extortion as defined in { Section 389 „	..							.		.	.	..	...
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in { Section 411 „ ..					.		3	.	1	..	..	...	
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in { Section 412 „			..	..	.	.	..				.	.	..
4 Mischief by fire „ Section 436 „		..	..			..	..	..				..	
5 Lurking house trespass as defined in Section 443 „			1	..	5	..	3	...	2	. .	3	..	14
6. Lurking house trespass by night, as defined in Section 444 „		.	2	.	10		11	..	10		7	.	40
7 House breaking, as defined in Section 445 „			1		12	..	9	..	5	.	3	..	30
8. House breaking by night as defined in Section 446 „ ..	...	.	15	.	10		35		40	...	25		131
9 Offences under Section 454 „	.	.		.	2			.		..	.	.	2
10 Offences under Section 14, Act III, of 1880	.			.	1		..			..		.	1
11 Prisons Act, 26 of 1870, Section 47				.		.	..		.	...	1	...	1
12 Offences under Section 49, Act XXVI of 1870		.			2	..	11	. .	3	...	2	..	17
Section 376, I P C .	.	.	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	. .	...	..	...
„ 429 „ .	...		...	. .	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...

NOTE.—Include juveniles punished under any of these heads. Total ... 1,897

Part II.

Showing whippings inflicted in addition to other punishments, Sections 3 and 4, Act VI of 1864.

Offences for which awarded.	Number of stripes.						Total	Remarks.
	5 and under.	6 to 10	11 to 15	16 to 20	21 to 25.	26 to 30		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(In addition to other punishments (Sections 3 and 4)								
A.—Section.								
1. Theft, as defined in Section 378, I. P. C	1	1	4	13	7	16	42	
1. Theft, as defined in Section 381	...	...	2	4	3	5	14	
1. Theft, as defined in Section 381	...	...	..	...	...	...	.	
1. Theft, as defined in Section 382	. .		..	..	...	...	...	
2. Extortion, as defined in Section 388	...	.	...	..	...	...	...	
2. Extortion, as defined in Section 389	...	...	...	. .	...	...	...	
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in Section 411	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in Section 412	...	...	...	...	...		...	
4. Lurking house trespass, as defined in Section 443	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	
5. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 444	...	...	...	..	...	2	2	
6. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	
7. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446	...	..	...	2	1	4	7	
8. Offences under Section 14, Act III of 1860	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
B.—Section 4.								
1. False evidence, as defined in Section 193, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
1. False evidence, as defined in Section 194	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
1. False evidence, as defined in Section 195	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2. False charge of unnatural offence, as defined in Sections 211 and 377	...	...	...	..	...	...	.	
3. Assault, as defined in Section 354	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
4. Rape, as defined in Section 375	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
5. Unnatural offence, as defined in Section 377	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
6. Robbery, as defined in Section 390	...	...	..	...	...	. .	...	
7. Dacoity, as defined in Section 391	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
8. Attempt at robbery, as defined in Section 393	...	...	...	...	. .	...	...	
9. Hurt in committing robbery, as defined in Section 394	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
10. Receiving stolen property, as defined in Section 413	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
11. Forgery, as defined in Section 463	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
11. Forgery, as defined in Section 466	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
11. Forgery, as defined in Section 467	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
11. Forgery, as defined in Section 468	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	
11. Forgery, as defined in Section 469	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
12. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 443	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
13. Lurking house-trespass, by night, as defined in Section 444	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
14. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
15. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	
	...	...	...	. .	2		2	
Total	1	2	7	19	14	27	70	

Part III.

Showing whippings inflicted under Section 5, Act VI, 1864, on Juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts I, and II.

Offences.	Stripes.												Total.
	5 and under		6 to 10.		11 to 15.		16 to 20.		21 to 25		26 to 30.		
	First conviction.	Subsequent conviction.	First conviction.	Subsequent conviction.	First conviction.	Subsequent conviction.	First conviction.	Subsequent conviction.	First conviction.	Subsequent conviction.	First conviction.	Subsequent conviction.	
1	2.	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Rioting ...Sec 147, I. P. C	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	.	...
... „ 198 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Exposure of a child under 12 years of age by parent or person having care of it with intention of wholly abandoning it. ... „ 317 „	...	...	..	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	..	...	...
„ 251 „	...	...	...	...	2	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	2
Attempt to commit suicide ... „ 309 „	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Voluntarily cause hurt . . „ 323 „	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ditto grievous hurt ... „ 304 „	...	...	...	...	...	. .	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto ... „ 324 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto ... „ 352 „	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal force or assault ... „ 354 „	...	...	...	..	...	...	. .	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dishonest misappropriation of property ... „ 403 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
„ 406 „	..	...	. .	..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Rape . „ 376 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	. .	...	...	...
Ditto ... „ 381 „	.	...	...	...	. .	...	...	...	. .	...	...	...	...
Unnatural offence . . „ 377 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	1	...	...	...	1
Theft as defined in ... „ 379 „	...	...	. .	.	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
Ditto ... „ 380 „	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto . . „ 511 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto ... „ 454 „	. .	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Ditto ... „ 457 „	...	..	...	.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Mischief by fire with intent to destroy a house ... „ 436 „	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 428 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ditto . . „ 497 „	...		..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..
Criminal trespass ... „ 441 „	...	. .	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	. .	...
Offences under Section 44, Act IV of 1879	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
House-trespass ... „ 448 „	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Police Act V of 1861 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences under Section 47, Act XXVI of 1870.	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Railway Act, 1879, Section 126 ...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Total ...	...	...	7	...	4	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	14

Part IV.

Showing relative number of times whipping was awarded as compared with other punishments.

	Punishments.	Number.	Remarks.
	1	2	3
1	Total number of whippings awarded*	1,571	
2	Total number of other punishments†	20,690	
	Percentage of whippings	7·6	

* Total of column 14, Parts I and III, and of column 8, Part II.

† Not counting punishments of which whipping was a part, but including all cases in which whipping might have been inflicted.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6—(Criminal).

Statement showing the result of Appeals and Revision in Criminal cases in the Central Provinces in the year 1890.

Tribunal	Number of persons: Total number of appellants and applicants for revision before the Courts	Died escaped, or transferred to another Province.	Appeals or application rejected	Sentence or order confirmed	Sentence enhanced	Sentence reduced or otherwise altered	Sentenced reversed	Proceeding squashed	New trial or further enquiry ordered	Referred for revision to the High Court	Pending trial.	Average number of days during which each appeal lasted	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Appeals													
To Chief Magistrates of Districts ...	1,8[illegible]8	.	410	68[illegible]	..	26[illegible]	431	4	17	...	55	15 3	
To Courts of Session	1,380	.	55	3 9		168	17[illegible]	2	22	6	66	16 1	
Superior Courts { By persons convicted	2 4		85	9	.	40	11	-	1	..	21	16 0	
Superior Courts { By Government from judgment of acquittal						..		..	.	-		...	
Total	3,539	.	1,08[illegible]	1 17	.	47[illegible]	616	6	40	6	142	15 7	
Revision.													
By Chief Magistrates of Districts .	210	..	66	9	.		1	19	29	27	2	11 [illegible]	
By Courts of Session .. .	41	..	3[illegible]			.		...	1	1	4	12 0	
By Superior Courts ..	634	.	403	569	2[illegible]	5	80	22	5	...	3	15 6	303 cases involving 532 persons were called for by the High Court on review of returns.
Total	9[illegible]5		504	665	29	5[illegible]	81	41	35	2[illegible]	9	14 5	
Grand Total	4,4[illegible]4		1 584	1,840	29	529	697	47	75	34	151	15 4	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 13—(Civil and Criminal).

Statement showing use of Juries and Assessors in the Civil and Criminal Courts in the Central Provinces in the year 1890.

Class of Courts in which Jurors or Assessors are employed, distinguishing Criminal from Civil Courts	Established or average number of Jury or Assessors in each case and prescribed qualifications.	Number of cases tried by Jury.	Number of cases tried with Assessors.	Jury trials.					Assessors' trials.			Remarks.
				Cases in which the Judge approved of the verdict.	Cases in which Judge did not approve of the verdict.		Number of persons of the verdict in respect to whom the Judge disapproved.		Number of cases in which Judge agreed with Assessors.	Number of cases in which Judge differed from		
					Wholly.	Partially.	Whose cases he referred under Section 307, C. P. C.	Whose cases he did not refer under Section 307, C. P. C.		One Assessor.	Both Assessors.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
I.—Civil Courts												
Chief Courts of Districts (or officer specially empowered) acting under Act X of 1870 } Assessors	The prescribed qualifications are education and good character.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
II.—Criminal Courts												
Magistrates' Courts under Chapter XXXIX, C P C } Jurors		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Courts of Session } Jurors		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
} Assessors	Two Assessors in each.	...	116	...	...	...	...	...	68	14	34	
High Courts, Original Criminal Jurisdiction } Jurors		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total ...		...	116	...	...	...	...	...	68	14	34	

Statement showing the general result of the trial of European

Description of offence	Number of persons accused and brought before a Magistrate.							Persons whose cases										
	Remaining at the close of the previous year.	Within the year.						Died, escaped or transferred to other Provinces.	Number actually brought to trial.	By District Magistrates and other 1st Class Magistrates.					By Courts of Session			
		On complaint, Section 191 (a) Criminal Procedure Code.	On Police report, Section 191 (b) of the Code.	By Magistrate *suo motu*, Section 191 (c) of the Code.	On transfer from another Province.	Total.				Received by transfer under Section 451 (b) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Committed. To Court of Session.	Committed. To High Court.	Transferred by order under Section 451 (b) of the Code	Total omitting entries in columns 10 and 15.	Received by transfer under Section 451 (b) of the Code	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under Section 449 of the Code.	Total exclusive of column 17.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Offences against the State, Chapter VI of the Indian Penal Code	...	.	...			...		..	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...
Offence relating to the Army and Navy, Chapter VII	...	...	...	.	...	.	..	..	..	..	...	...	.	.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto against the public tranquillity, Chapter VIII	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	.	...	..	.	...	...	...	...	...	.	...
Ditto by or relating to public servants, Chapter IX	...	...	.	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI	..	...	...	.	...	...	..	...	..	..	...	...	..	...	.	..	..	...	...	...
Offences relating to coin and Government stamps, Chapter XII	...		...	...		..	...	...	..	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	...
Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	.	...		...
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	..
Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	...	...	..	...	...	...
Offences affecting life	..		1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hurt	...	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal force and assault	.	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Voluntarily causing hurt under Section 323 I P C	..	1	.	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rape	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unnatural offence	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Theft	..	..	12	...	...	12	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Extortion	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Robbery and dacoity	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal misappropriation of property	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal breach of trust	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Receiving of stolen property	...	..	2	...	...	2	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Cheating	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fraudulent deeds and dispossession of property	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mischief	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal trespass	..	3	1	..	..	4	..	4	..	2	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Defamation, Chapter XXI	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences under special local laws	..	1	1	.		2		2			2				2					
Total	.	7	2	..	.	14		14		9	5				12					...

No. 14—(Criminal).

British subjects in the Central Provinces in the year 1890.

were disposed of.							Number of cases.					
by High Court.			Total for all Courts.									
Convicted.	Acquitted.	Total.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Total.	Number of persons under trial at the close of the year.	Brought to trial.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Number of persons who applied to the High Court for an order under Section 456 of the Code.	Of those entered in column 5 number who applied under Section 2, Act III of 1884, for transfer or committal of their cases.	Number of persons who applied to the High Court under Section 526 of the Code for the transfer of their cases.
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34
...	...	...	9	5	14	...	12	12	...	...	...	...

Subsidiary Table.

35						36	
Of the total number of persons shown in						Of cases shown in column 30	
Column 16.			Column 21.	Columns 21 and 24.		Disposed of by Magistrates.	Disposed of by Sessions Judges.
Number who claimed to be tried by mixed jury, Section 451 A (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 35 (1) whose cases were transferred under Section 451 (3) of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors Section 451 (2) of Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, Section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
...	5	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...	...

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS.

[Being the principal Returns furnished by District and Sessions Courts on which the Prescribed Statements are based.]

STATEMENT No. II—(Criminal.)

Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each offence in the Districts of the Central Provinces during the year 1890.

Nomenclature of offences with Chapter and Section of the Penal Code or other law applicable	Number of Head of Crime	Number of cases					Number of persons.							
		Offences reported.	Complaints rejected under Section 203, C. Cr. P.	Other cases struck off as false	Balance returned as true.	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year.	Acquitted on complainant absenting himself or on compromise	Otherwise acquitted or discharged	Convicted.	Died	Escaped.	Transferred to other provinces	Remaining under trial at the close of the year	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		10	11			12	13
I—*Offences under the Penal Code*															
Offences against the State } Ch VI. Secs. 121 to 130 ..	1	...	...	...	...	...	..	..		..	...	...	...	...	
Offences against the Army and Navy } „ VII „ 131 to 140	2	...	...	..	...	.	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	
Offences against the public tranquillity } „ VIII „ 143 to 145, 149 to 151, 157 and 158 Unlawful assembly	3	11	...	...	11	11	103	. .	49	54	..	..	...	...	
„ 147, 148, 152 and 153 to 156 Rioting &c ..	4	84	12	1	71	72	578	5	304	210	1	..	...	...	58
Offences by or relating to public servants } „ IX „ 160. Affray .	5	31	..	...	31	31	142	...	36	106	...	...	...	...	
„ 161 to 169 By public servant	6	19		..	19	19	20	..	7	12	...	...	..		1
„ 161, 170 and 171 Relating to public servants ...	7	31	...	...	31	32	39	.	14	23	..	...	...		2
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants } „ X „ 172 to 190 .	8	292	2	2	288	293	483	10	150	303	1	...	...		19
„ 193 to 200 False evidence .	9	83	...	...	83	84	110	..	51	57		.	...		2
False evidence and offences against public justice } „ XI „ 201 to 229 Offences against public justice ...	10	244	9	1	234	236	351	...	134	208	..	...	...		9
	10a	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...		
Offences relating to Coin and Government stamps. } „ XII „ 231 to 254 Offences relating to coin ...	11	65	..	..	65	65	76	...	35	41	...	..	..	...	
„ 255 to 263 Offences relating to stamps .	12	1		...	1	1	1	.	...	1	...	...	...	...	
Offences relating to weights and measures } „ XIII „ 264 to 267 ...	13	97	...	...	97	97	112	.	49	61	1	...	...		1

Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	„ XIV	„ 269 to 278. Offences affecting the public health ...	14	124		2	...	122	122	252	...	73	177	...	...	...	2
		„ 279 to 290. Offences affecting safety ..	15	61	...	...		61	61	70	...	20	50	...	...	...	...
		„ 290 and 291. Offences affecting convenience	16	25	...	...		25	24	37	...	7	30	...	...	...	...
		„ 292 to 294. Offences affecting decency and morals	17	1	...	...		1	1	1	...	1	...		...	...	..
		„ 294A. Keeping Lottery office or publishing proposals for lottery .	17a	...	...	...		...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to religion.	„ XV.	„ 295 to 298 .	18	13	2	...		11	11	31	3	18	10	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting the human body	„ XVI.	„ 302 and 303. Murder	19	99	..		1	98	100	166	...	49	87	..	...	...	30
		„ 307. Attempt at murder	20	21	1	...		20	21	36	...	12	21	1	...	...	2
		„ 304 Culpabale homicide ..	21	14	...		1	13	14	22	...	4	12	...	...	...	6
		„ 304A Causing death by rash or negligent act ...	21a	11	...	...		11	11	15	...	8	7	...	...	...	...
		„ 308. Attempt at culpable homicide ..	22	3	...	...		3	3	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	...
		„ 305 and 306. Abetment of suicide .	23	...	...	...		...	..	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
		„ 309. Attempted suicide	24	149	...	2		147	149	150	...	34	115	...	...	...	1
		„ 311. Thuggee, &c ..	25	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
		„ 312 to 315. Causing miscarriage.	26	1	...	...		1	1	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
		„ 316 Injury to unborn children	27	..	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
		„ 317. Exposure of infants	28	9	1	...		8	8	8	...	2	6	...	...	...	*1
		„ 318. Concealment of birth by secret disposal of dead body..	29	13	...	...		13	13	19	...	8	11	...	...	...	...
		„ 325 to 331 and 333. Hurt with aggravating circumstances	30a	313	4	...		309	310	545	10	169	319	...	...	...	47
			30	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
		„ 323, 324, 332 and 334 to 338 Other cases ..	31	2,916	372	15		2,529	2,534	4,973	1,358	1,753	1,691	1	7	...	163
		„ 341 Wrongful restraint .	32	76	15	2		59	59	103	22	46	35	...	..	...	...
		„ 342 to 348. Wrongful confinement .	33	80	9	...		71	71	170	22	81	55	1	...	..	11
		„ 352 to 358. Criminal force or assault .	34	5,883	1,093	192		4,558	4,583	8,860	2,624	2,979	2,734	6	12	...	505
		„ 364, 366, and 367. Kidnapping or forcible abduction with aggravating circumstances ...	35	8	2	...		6	6	28	..	18	10	...	...	...	...
		„ 363, 365, 368 & 369. Other cases	36	17	3	...		14	14	19	...	7	12	...	...	...	...
		„ 370, and 371. Slavery ..	37	...	..	..			...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...
		„ 372 and 373. Buying or selling a minor for the purpose of prostitution .	38	8	1	1		6	7	9	...	4	5	...	...	..	...
			39	10	...	...		10	10	13	3	3	7	...	...	...	...
		„ 374. Forced labour ...	40	44	9	2		33	34	51	..	21	23	...	...	...	7
		„ 376. Rape	40a	8	.	...		8	8	9	...	5	4	...	...	...	..
		„ 377. Unnatural offences .	41	16	...	1		15	16	21	...	7	13	...	..	...	1
			41a	...	...	...		...	..		...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total .		10,831	1,537	211		9,083	9,132	17,629	4,057	6,161	6,513	12	19	...	862

* In Lunatic asylum

STATEMENT No. II—(Continued)

Nomenclature of offences with Chapter and Section of the Penal Code or other law applicable	Number of Head of Crime	Number of cases					Number of persons.								Remarks
		Offences reported	Complaints rejected under Section 203, C Cr P	Other cases struck off as false	Balance returned as true	Brought to trial during the year	Under trial during the year	Acquitted on complainant absenting himself or on compromise.	Otherwise acquitted or discharged	Convicted.	Died	Escaped	Transferred to other Provinces	Remaining under trial at the close of the year	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		10		11		12	13
Offences against property, Chapter XVII — Section 382 Theft with aggravating circumstances	42	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
„ 379 to 381 and 401 Other cases	43	5,278	149	39	5,090	5,124	7,036	124	1,476	5,343	1	5	3	84	
„ 386 to 389 Extortion with aggravating circumstances	43a	8		...	8	8	8	..	1	7	..	.	...	...	
„ 384 and 385. Other cases	44	3	.	...	3	3	4	.	1	2	...	...	.	1	
„ 394 Robbery — With hurt	45	79	12	...	67	67	133	6	83	41	...	1	.	2	
„ 392 Robbery — Other cases	46	9	2	..	7	7	15	...	1	14	..	..	..	...	
„ 393 Robbery — Attempts	47	83	15	3	65	69	120	..	52	67	...	...	1	...	
„ 396 Dacoity — With murder	48	4		...	4	4	6	..	..	6	...	...		...	
„ 397 Dacoity — With attempt to cause death or grievous hurt	49			.		..	...	-	..	...	..	. .	...		
„ 398 Dacoity — Attempted robbery or dacoity when armed with deadly weapons	50	4	...		4	4	14	.	10	4	...	...	.	. .	
„ 395, 399, 400 and 402 ... Dacoity — Other cases	51	.	..	...	...		12		...	12	...	...	...	...	
„ 403 and 404 Criminal misappropriation of property	52	34	.	1	33	33	194	6	53	125	...	.	...	10	
„ 406 to 409 Criminal breach of trust	53	119	4	. .	115	116	162	-	38	122	...		...	4	
„ 411 to 414 Receiving or habitually dealing in stolen or plundered property	54	280	27	3	250	252	375		108	154	1	1	...	11	
„ 417 to 420 Cheating	55	235	..	5	230	235	342		83	249	...	...	2	8	
	56	144	43	.	101	101	141	6	78	49	..	...	...	13	
	56a	1			1	1	1	...	.	1	...	...	...	...	

	„ 421 to 424 Fraudulent deeds or disposition of property				57	6	2		4	4	11	...	10	1	...	...	...	...	
	„ 429 to 433 and 435 to 440	Mischief	With aggravating circumstances.		58	101	8	..	93	93	132		53	75	.	...	...		4
	„ 426 to 428 and 434	Mischief	Other cases		58a	2	...	1	1	2	3	...	2	1	...	...	...	..	
	„ 459 and 460	Mischief	Resulting in death or grievous hurt ...		59	338	76	6	256	258	571	133	287	136	...	...	. .		15
	„ 449 to 452, 454, 455, 557 and 458 ...	Criminal trespass	For commission of serious offences		60	1	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	2	...	...	..	...	
	„ 447, 448, 453 456, 461, and 462	Criminal trespass	Other cases		61	1,857	12	13	1,832	1,842	2,528	5	533	1,933	2	...	4		51
					61a	1	..	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	
					62	1,164	242	15	907	925	2,040	446	724	810	2	5	...		53
					62a	2	..	...	2	2	4		...	4	...	.	...	...	
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks	„ 465 to 471 and 474 Forgery or uttering or possessing forged documents or papers ..				63	14	...	..	14	14	25		12	10	...	...	...		3
	„ 472 to 476. Counterfeiting or making or possessing counterfeit seal, &c., for purposes of forgery ...				64	1	1	..	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	
	„ 477. Fraudulently destroying or defacing a will or other document .				65	..	...	...	...	..	...			...	...	...	...	...	
	„ 482, 486, 487 and 488. Using a false trade or property mark and knowingly selling property so marked ...				66		...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	„ 483 to 485 Counterfeiting or making or possessing a die plate or instrument for counterfeiting a trade or property mark ..				67	...	...	...		...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	
	„ 489 Removing, destroying, &c., a trade property mark with intent to cause injury				68	1	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Criminal breach of contracts and service .	Ch XIX	„ 490 to 492 .			69	..	...	...	.	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Offences relating to marriage ..	„ XX	„ 493 to 498 ..			70	470	149	...	321	319	588	123	169	76	...	1	...		19
Defamation .	„ XXI	„ 500 to 502 ..			71	437	153	...	284	285	469	136	220	92	...	. .	...		21
Criminal intimidation, insult, or annoyance ...	„ XXII	„ 503 The threat being to cause death or other grievous hurt ..			72	67	27	1	39	38	84	26	49	9	...	...	...	...	
		„ 504 to 510. Other cases ..			73	356	71	1	284	277	464	125	168	157	...	...	...		14
				Total ...	...	21,930	2,530	299	19,101	19,218	32,815	5,194	10,366	16,015	18	32	10	1,181	

STATEMENT No. 11—(Concluded.)

Nomenclature of offences with Chapter and Section of the Penal Code or other law applicable	Number of Head of Crime.	Number of cases					Number of persons.								Remarks.
		Offences reported.	Complaints rejected under Section 203, C. Cr. P.	Other cases struck off as false.	Balance returned as true	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year	Acquitted on complainant absenting himself or on compromise.	Otherwise acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died.	Escaped	Transferred to other Provinces	Remaining under trial at the close of the year	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		10	11			12	13
II—Offences under Special and Local Laws															
CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.															
Chapter VIII Section 107. Security for keeping the peace ...	74	42	3	...	39	36	161	19	76	62	...	...	...	4	
Chapter VIII Section 109, 110. Security for good behaviour	75	192	...	...	192	192	220	...	78	142	...	...	..	...	
Breach of other Laws relating to—															
Arms, ammunition and Military stores ..Act 11 of 1878	76	231	...	.	231	231	246	...	29	216	...	...	...	1	
Cantonments . „ 13 of 1889	77	490	...	25	465	490	615	..	79	535	...	...	...	1	
Cattle Trespass ... „ 1 of 1871	78	335	49	5	281	285	775	109	319	294	...	2	...	51	
Chowkidars „ 20 of 1856	79	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Civil Procedure Code, Section 651 .. „ 14 of 1882	80	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Contagious Diseases ... „ 14 of 1865 . ..	81			...	.	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Contract Workmen ... „ 13 of 1859	82	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	
Criminal Tribes .. „ 27 of 1871	83	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Disputes between workmen on Railway and other public works and their employers ... „ 9 of 1860	84	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

Excise	... „ 22 of 1881	...	...	85	543	...		2	541	541	739	...	122	607	...	...	...	19
Explosives	.. „ 4 of 1884	...	...	86	15	...	...		15	15	18	...	1	16	...		1	...	...
Ferries	... „ 17 of 1878	...	...	87	2	...	...		2	2	3	...	2	1		...		...	...
Foreigners	... „ 3 of 1864	...	...	88	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Forests	... „ 7 of 1878	...	..	89	283		1	...	282	285	822	32	238	519		1	1	...	31
Gambling	... „ 3 of 1867	...	...	90	54	..		...	54	54	358	...	67	252	...		1	...	33
Hackney Carriages	. . „ 14 of 1879	...	...	91	...	..		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Inland Customs	. . „ 8 of 1875	...	...	92	..	...		...	...	...	..	...	.	.	...	...		...	...
Land Acquisition	... „ 10 of 1870	...	...	93	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Legal Practitioners	... „ 18 of 1879	...	...	94	...	..		...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...		...	..
Lunatic Asylums	... „ 36 of 1858	...	..	95	...	...		...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Marriage—Indian Christians	... „ 15 of 1872	...	...	96	..	...		...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...		...	...
Municipalities	... „ 18 of 1889	...	...	97	2,205		4	88	2,113	2,196	2,346	10	327	1,958	...		4	...	47
Opium	... „ 1 of 1878	...	...	98	458	...		1	457	457	543	2	94	437	...	...		...	10
Pandhri	... „ 14 of 1867	...	...	99	..	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Paper Currency	... „ 20 of 1882	...	..	100	..	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Police	... „ 5 of 1861	...	...	101	1,396	...		4	1,392	1,396	1,431	1	105	1,322	...	...		...	3
Post Offices	... „ 14 of 1866	...	...	102	4	...	. .		4	4	4	...	1	3	...	...		...	...
Printing Presses and Newspapers	... „ 25 of 1867		..	103	.	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Prisons	.. „ 26 of 1870	..	..	104	101				101	101	146	...	10	136	...	...		...	...
Prisoners	... „ 5 of 1871	...	..	105	..	...	...		..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	..
Purchase of Soldiers' necessaries	.. Mutiny Act and Act 7 of 1867			106	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Railways	.. Act 4 of 1879	.	...	107	84	...	...		84	84	110	1	7	101	...	...		...	1
Registration	... „ 3 of 1877	...	...	108	1	...	...		1	1	1	...	...	1	...	..		...	...
Stamps	... „ 1 of 1879	..	..	109	71		1	...	70	71	97	...	23	69	...	...		..	5
Telegraphs	... „ 1 of 1876	...	...	110	...	...		...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Tolls	... „ 8 of 1851, 15 of 1864		...	111	.	...	..		...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...		...	...
Treasure Trove	... „ 6 of 1878	...	...	112	4	...	...		4	4	36	...	18	18	...	...		...	...
Vaccination	... „ 13 of 1880	...	...	113	...	...	...		..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Vagrancy (Europeans)	... „ 9 of 1874	.	..	114	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Volunteers	... „ 20 of 1869	...	...	115	...	...	...		..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Weights and measures of capacity	... „ 31 of 1871	...		116	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Penalty for illegal distraint by landlord and for illegal removal of produce	...Section 24, Act IX of 1883		...	117	43	...	...		43	43	48	2	4	41	...	...		...	1
		GRAND TOTAL	...	...	28,484	2,588	424		25,472	25,706	41,534	5,370	11,966	22,745	19	41	10	1,864

STATEMENT No. III.

Statement of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the districts of the Central Provinces for the year 1890.

(*See* Prescribed Statement No. 3.)

Trial Statement of the Districts of the

Districts.	Number of cases disposed of					Total	Number of persons For disposal.				
		Summons cases		Warrant cases.			Brought to trial during the year.				
	Inquiries under Chapter XVIII, C Cr. P	Trials under Chapter XX, C. Cr. P.	Tried summarily under Chapter XXII, C. Cr P	Tried under Chapter XXI, C. Cr P	Tried summarily under Chapter XXII, C Cr. P		Remaining at end of last year	Under arrest by Police or otherwise without Magistrate's warrant.	Upon warrant	On summons.	Voluntarily
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Nagpur ..	7	1,348	86	1,102	35	2,578	280	1,291	305	3,250	..
Chanda .	7	275	11	606	20	919	32	606	53	880	5
Bhandara ...	8	409	41	534	69	1,061	14	1,005	33	815	6
Wardha ...	1	833	56	584	39	1,513	53	595	104	2,092	22
Balaghat ..	11	150	1	412	15	589	14	370	143	445	1
Jubbulpore ..	7	1,028	234	1,598	63	2,930	31	2,538	308	1,388	...
Saugor	5	976	5	1,379	7	2,372	73	2,302	116	1,245	6
Damoh ...	4	364	25	339	142	874	22	602	51	660	9
Seoni ..	5	193	54	612	115	979	70	831	87	867	1
Mandla ...	2	99	35	241	73	450	3	546	35	198	3
Hoshangabad ...	9	560	83	835	24	1,511	115	943	186	1,468	...
Betul ...	3	259	60	235	39	596	15	465	59	442	10
Narsinghpur ...	12	847	278	811	16	1,964	94	1,419	215	1,628	...
Chhindwara ..	19	579	16	339	4	957	29	454	118	881	29
Nimar ..	19	351	244	420	3	1,037	20	568	80	860	77
Raipur ...	16	456	40	1,069	25	1,606	49	1,374	167	1,180	...
Sambalpur... ..	6	459	...	804	3	1,272	26	1,157	92	672	5
Bilaspur ..	13	243	7	846	21	1,130	44	1,123	129	709	5
Total 1890...	154	9,429	1,276	12,766	713	24,338	993	18,239	2,281	19,675	179
Total 1889 .	158	8,336	1,764	12,731	850	23,839	959	19,274	2,721	18,347	98

No. IV.—(Criminal).

Central Provinces for the year 1890.

under inquiry and trial during the year.

Received by transfer from beyond the Central Provinces.	Total for disposal.	Disposed of.											Remaining.				Remarks.
		Discharged.		Acquitted.	Convicted		Committed.	Referred	Died.	Escaped	Transferred to other Provinces	Total disposed of.	Since the month of			Total remaining.	
		Complainant absenting himself or withdrawing complaints	In other cases.		On regular trial.	On summary trial.							October	November.	December.		
13	14	15	16	17	18		19		20			21	22	23	24	25	26
...	5,135	...	851	1,796	1,963	119	20	20	1	2	..	4,772	63	48	257	368	
...	1,576	172	242	243	800	32	12	6	.	...	..	1,507	13	19	37	69	
...	1,873	...	...	558	1,038	184	20	8	1	...	..	1,809	11	17	36	64	
...	2,866	175	359	1,075	1,086	78	1	9	1	...	.	2,784	11	14	57	82	
...	973	243	87	80	512	6	18	...	..	8	..	954	1	3	15	19	
...	4,315	335	359	685	2,446	352	9	59	1	...	..	4,246	8	26	35	69	
...	3,742	23	370	934	1,973	12	5	302	4	3	10	3,630	10	11	85	106	
...	1,344	82	105	291	591	206	5	13	1	1	..	1,295	1	6	42	49	
...	1,856	135	243	498	690	197	5	34	...	6	..	1,808	*5	3	41	49	* 1 in Lunatic Asylum.
...	785	12	75	197	333	123	4	30	...	2	...	776	3	..	6	9	
...	2,707	434	359	612	1,083	102	17	11	1	1	...	2,620	..	10	77	87	
...	991	45	88	182	452	139	..	32	1	2	...	941	2	1	47	50	
...	3,356	163	356	818	1,599	258	18	25	5	3	..	3,245	10	26	75	111	
...	1,511	46	138	467	795	24	3	17	...	1	...	1,491	2	3	15	20	
...	1,605	6	145	499	637	227	11	6	..	8	..	1,539	4	13	49	66	
...	2,770	36	344	654	1,601	72	25	10	1	2	...	2,745	6	3	16	25	
...	1,952	52	258	388	1,097	3	8	65	...	..	..	1,871	...	22	59	81	
...	2,010	33	317	554	1,012	26	22	12	1	4	..	1,981	4	4	21	29	
...	41,367	1,992	4,696	10,531	19,706	2,160	203	659	18	43	10	40,020	154	224	970	1,348	
...	41,450	2,899	4,426	9,572	19,482	2,930	295	612	30	96	11	40,352	104	205	790	1,099	

Punishment Statement of Magisterial Courts and Courts of

Districts.	Number of persons sentenced to																					
	Death.	Transportation.		Imprisonment otherwise than in default of fine and security.														Total rigorous.	Total simple.	Fine without imprisonment.	Whipping only.	Give security for good behaviour.	
		For life	For a term	Above 7 years		7 years and under.		2 years and under.		6 months and under.		2 months and under.		15 days and under								With sureties	Enter into bond to keep the peace. Without sureties
				Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple	Rigorous	Simple.								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Nagpur	...	..	..	...	...	..	4	...	101	...	203	3	140	4	50	5	498	12	1,525	46	1	1	...
Chanda	...	.	...	...	...	...	1	...	62	...	112	.	61	4	3	2	239	6	525	60	...	2	...
Bhandara	..	..	...	...	.	...	3	...	86	.	156	3	118	3	19	7	382	13	682	143	...	...	2
Wardha	...	...	..	...	...	.	7	...	41	.	93	.	70	1	18	2	229	3	888	35	2	8	1
Balaghat	...	...	...	..	...		7	...	24	...	64	1	66	...	6	2	167	3	272	75	1	...	...
Jubbulpore	...	...	.	...	...	.	23	.	144	...	469	1	368	10	46	2	1,050	13	1,568	152	4	7	1
Saugor	...		...	...	...	...	10	...	67	...	386	11	190	17	28	...	681	22	1,241	41	...	...	...
Damoh	...	..	..	..	...	...	16	...	54	...	141	1	104	6	17	2	332	9	388	65	...	3	...
Seoni	...	...	...	...	.	...	7	...	22	...	123	..	115	2	1	...	268	2	551	60	6	...	...
Mandla	...	...	..	...	..	.	6	...	66	..	83	3	37	2	12	2	204	7	197	48	...	...	...
Hoshangabad	...	..	..	...	...	...	4	...	74	...	169	...	148	11	29	6	422	17	665	78	...	3	...
Betul	...	...	...	...	.	...	1	...	17	...	48	3	33	4	5	4	109	11	417	52	1	1	...
Narsinghpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	62	..	233	...	239	6	38	6	579	12	1,220	85	8	11	...
Chhindwara	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	26	.	94	1	65	7	15	3	210	11	529	56	7	6	...
Nimar	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	50	...	86	4	43	3	4	1	198	8	641	17	...	...	...
Raipur	...	...	..	...	..	...	4	...	116	...	511	3	148	5	4	3	783	11	700	167	...	6	...
Sambalpur	..	..	.	...	...	...	7	...	75	...	259	1	129	8	8	2	478	11	554	57	...	...	...
Bilaspur	..	...	...	...	..	.	...	...	80	.	237	...	142	3	20	6	479	9	450	33	...	16	...
Total ...	1890	..	..	...	...	.	132	...	1,167	..	3,407	85	2,219	90	323	55	7,308	180	13,013	1,219	25	84	4
	1889	...	...	3	.	168	...	1,257	4	3,861	52	2,219	90	405	66	7,918	212	12,702	1,505	19	53	8
Courts of Sessions.	1890	43	40	7	12	..	32	...	24	..	1	...	...	...	...	..	69	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1889	47	49	8	15	...	28	.	22	...	5	.	...	..	..	...	70	...	...	...	..	...	...
Grand Total ...	1890	43	40	7	12	..	164	.	1,191	..	3,408	85	2,219	90	323	55	7,377	180	13 013	1,219	25	84	4
	1889	47	49	8	18	...	196	..	1,279	4	3,866	52	2,219	90	405	66	7,983	212	12,702	1,505	19	53	8

No. V.

Sessions of the Central Provinces for the year 1890.

Imprisonment in default of security for good behaviour.	Total.	Number of persons sentenced to additional punishment.							Number of persons sentenced to fine.					Number of persons sentenced to whipping.				No. of persons.	
		Fine in addition to imprisonment or other punishment not including whipping.	Whipping in addition to imprisonment with or without fine.	Whipping in addition to fine without imprisonment.	Solitary confinement.	Forfeiture, or confiscation of property.	Required to give		Above Rs. 1,000.	Rupees 1,000 and under.	Rupees 500 and under.	Rupees 100 and under.	Rupees 50 and under.	Rupees 10 and under.	Total.	21 to 30 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	10 stripes or less.	Total.	To whom compensation has been ordered to be paid from fines.	Ordered to pay compensation to accused persons.
							Recognizance to keep the peace.	Security to keep the peace.												
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45
10	2,082	71	2	...	39	13	6	5	.	1	6	24	280	1,285	1,596	12	24	11	47	167	18
8	832	74	2	...	9	1	...	...	.	.	3	3	70	514	599	30	29	3	62	112	...
8	1,222	42	7	...	33	1	2	2	..	...	2	2	151	569	724	57	53	10	150	85	7
1	1,166	30	3	...	26	...	...	...	.	...	10	13	85	810	918	7	26	5	38	13	24
1	518	26	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	.	2	4	42	250	298	21	52	2	75	7	1
39	2,795	135	10	...	36	90	24	12	...	...	3	26	213	1,461	1,703	25	109	23	162	69	4
13	1,985	77	2	..	25	91	...	..	...	..	2	12	171	1,133	1,318	24	19	...	45	42	12
...	797	21	2	...	22	1	2	...	...	.	1	1	43	364	409	25	38	4	67	17	7
1	887	27	3	...	36	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	68	510	578	18	40	5	63	25	11
1	456	30	...	...	8	26	1	1	...	...	...	2	46	179	227	11	36	1	48	25	2
4	1,185	101	3	...	19	22	...	...	.	...	8	17	185	556	766	10	63	8	81	19	9
2	591	32	...	1	5	60	...	...	.	..	2	10	61	376	449	5	36	12	53	61	18
10	1,860	189	3	1	36	...	..	...	..	...	8	4	148	1,199	1,359	15	23	1	39	23	20
...	819	55	2	...	9	...	1	...	.	...	...	6	82	496	584	18	34	6	58	7	7
7	864	51	3	...	23	117	...	...	...	..	4	10	123	555	692	7	11	2	20	15	10
6	1,667	60	9	...	36	...	2	2	...	...	4	14	159	583	760	91	80	5	176	120	32
5	1,100	17	3	...	35	38	...	...	..	..	1	3	79	488	571	19	41	...	60	132	19
...	957	94	7	..	40	...	..	1	...	...	3	13	150	378	544	8	25	7	40	18	5
116	21,313	1,082	61	2	443	497	38	23	.	1	59	164	2,165	11,706	14,095	403	769	110	1,282	1,016	226
103	22,412	1,335	89	2	412	538	29	24	1	1	75	152	2,238	11,578	14,045	462	1,000	132	1,594	1,058	202
..	159	...	...	..	..	.	..	...	.	.	1	...	10	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	174	6	...	...	...	...	..	...	.	...	2	2	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
116	21,972	1,082	61	2	443	497	38	23	...	1	60	164	2,175	11,706	14,106	403	769	110	1,282	1,016	226
103	22,586	1,341	89	2	412	538	29	24	1	1	77	154	2,239	11,578	14,050	462	1,000	132	1,594	1,058	202

STATEMENT No. VI.

Statement showing the results of appeal and revision in criminal cases in the Districts of the Central Provinces for the year 1890.

Appellate Courts	Number of persons.														Cases disposed of.		Average duration.
	Number of appellants and applicants for revision			Died, escaped, transferred to another Province.	Appeals or applications rejected	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentences altered.		Sentence reversed and accused acquitted.	Proceedings quashed.	Sentence reversed and new trial ordered.	Further inquiry ordered.	Order of acquittal reversed	Referred to the High Court for revision.	Total whose cases were disposed of including entries in columns 4—11.	Remaining at end of the year	Total.		
	Remaining from last year.	Appealed during the year	Total				Reduced.	Altered in nature									Regular	Miscellaneous.	
1	2			3	4	5	6		7	8	9		10	11	12	13	14		15
Judicial Commissioner, C. P. ...	60	828	888	...	488	662	95	...	94	22	5	...	1	...	864	24	874	...	15 7
Commissioner, Nagpur Division ...	29	435	464	..	52	213	107	1	62	...	2	...	...	3	440	24	368	...	23·1
Do. Jubbulpore Division	13	323	337	..	165	103	2	25	33	...	2	...	...	1	331	6	309	19	11·0
Do. Nerbudda Division..	8	348	356	...	219	51	11	..	47	...	1	12	...	...	341	15	294	11	12 4
Do Chhattisgarh Dn ...		273	273	..	154	32	21	1	29	2	6	...	...	3	248	25	189	6	16 7
Nagpur ..	19	208	227	...	57	61	30	2	55	2	9	4	...	1	221	6	116	10	16 3
Chanda ..	...	44	44	...	24	7	4	1	6	2	...	...	...	...	44	...	29	...	24 8
Bhandara ...	.	24	24	...	1	16	3	...	4	...	..	...	...	...	24	...	23	1	9 6
Wardha ...	23	116	139	...	...	68	8	...	56	...	...	7	...	...	139	...	60	27	23 9
Balaghat ...	..	8	8	...	1	3	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	7	1	7	...	5 4
Jubbulpore ...	1	188	189	...	75	51	10	7	18	4	2	...	...	14	181	8	104	33	10 5
Saugor ..	3	118	121	...	21	41	21	...	34	...	...	...	...	...	117	4	77	1	23 6
Damoh ...	2	54	56	...	...	35	8	1	12	...	...	...	...	...	56	...	43	4	10 6
Seoni ...	1	46	47	...	5	19	...	1	17	...	...	...	...	...	42	5	25	5	16 1
Mandla ...	...	15	15	...	12	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	15	...	4·6
Hoshangabad ..	4	169	173	...	48	60	23	1	29	...	...	1	...	...	162	11	115	16	20·0
Betul ...	...	79	79	...	5	26	34	...	13	...	1	...	...	...	79	...	56	...	7 9
Narsinghpur ...	7	280	287	...	3	193	21	1	51	14	...	...	...	...	283	4	200	83	15·3
Chhindwara ...	...	68	68	...	...	28	8	3	29	...	...	...	...	...	68	...	36	...	11 5
Nimar ...	...	74	74	...	7	33	7	...	11	...	...	12	...	4	74	.	37	15	5 7
Raipur ...	3	364	367	...	169	58	57	...	66	...	1	3	...	6	360	7	201	14	7·3
Sambalpur ...	.	93	93	...	25	39	5	...	10	1	...	...	...	2	82	11	56	...	11 4
Bilaspur ..	9	116	125	...	53	41	7	1	17	...	...	6	...	...	125	...	78	...	22 8
Total ... 1890	182	4,272	4,454	...	1,584	1,840	483	46	497	47	29	45	1	34	4,308	151	3,312	245	15·4
1889	127	3,926	4,053	3	1,324	1,382	350	19	493	13	35	71	1	31	3,932	121	2,616	194	14 6

STATEMENT

Fine Accounts of Districts and Courts of Sessions of the

Districts.	A —Administration							
	Amount of realization.			Amount realized, &c.				
	Balance remaining to be realized at the close of last year.	Amount of fines imposed during the year.	Total for realization.	Total realizations during the year	Amounts realized out of fines imposed by officers in the exercise of original jurisdiction.	Become unrealizable.		Total (omitting Col. 6)
						Owing to reversal of sentence	Through lapse of time or otherwise struck off under sanction of Deputy Commissioner.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a p	Rs a p	Rs a. p	Rs, a. p	Rs a p.	Rs a. p	Rs. a. p.
Nagpur ..	2,870 11 6	16 946 13 0	19,817 8 6	15,843 1 6	15,337 1 6	881 0 0	1,987 4 6	18,211 6 0
Chanda ..	886 5 4	5,053 13 3	5,950 2 7	4,121 12 6	...	540 0 0	560 5 2	5,222 1 8
Bhandara ..	219 0 6	7,277 1 6	7,496 2 0	6,374 2 6	...	455 0 0	..	6,829 2 9
Wardha ..	411 14 3	8,878 14 6	9,285 12 9	7,781 4 9	7,781 4 9	934 3 6	129 15 0	8,845 7 3
Balaghat ..	892 12 8	3,008 3 0	3,900 15 3	3,074 0 8	3,074 0 8	10 0 0	199 3 4	3,283 3 7
Jubbulpore ...	2,418 12 8	12,936 3 11	15,355 0 7	11,872 10 5	...	675 0 0	814 9 6	13,362 3 11
Saugor ..	3,632 9 5	9,781 10 3	13,414 3 8	9,472 6 11	9,168 9 8	115 0 0	2,292 0 8	11,879 7 7
Damoh ..	1,876 7 1	2 812 5 2	4,688 12 3	2,818 12 11	2,818 12 11	..		2,818 12 11
Seoni ..	178 2 3	3,796 13 0	3,974 15 3	3,591 13 0	3,591 13 0	. .	183 2 3	3,774 15 3
Mandla ..	375 7 5	2,126 2 6	2,501 9 11	1,915 8 9	1,915 8 9		279 9 11	2,194 13 8
Hoshangabad	4,630 3 4	10,864 14 0	15,495 1 4	9,253 4 1	9,253 4 1	24 8 0	1,957 14 6	11,235 10 7
Betul ..	933 1 3	4,250 14 0	5,183 15 3	3,561 2 3	3,561 2 3	515 0 0	322 1 3	4,398 3 6
Narsinghpur	2,963 4 3	9,334 7 0	12,297 11 3	7,664 6 4	...	744 7 0	1,119 11 5	9,528 8 9
Chhindwara..	1,303 3 9	3,943 11 0	5,246 14 9	3,764 2 6	3,764 2 6	80 0 0	324 6 6	4,168 9 0
Nimar .	5,733 11 6	7,476 12 0	13,210 7 6	7,659 12 5	7,659 12 5	315 8 8	1,541 14 7	9,517 3 8
Raipur .	333 0 7	9,339 13 9	9,672 14 4	8,621 0 3	...	284 0 0	98 2 7	9,003 2 10
Sambalpur .	3,016 5 10	4,496 4 0	7,512 9 10	4,371 12 6	4,371 12 6	...	2,831 7 10	7,203 4 4
Bilaspur ..	3,314 12 0	6,581 7 6	9,896 3 6	6,337 0 2	...	25 0 0	1,164 7 9	7,526 8 0
Total ..	35,999 13 2	1,28,901 3 4	1,64,901 0 6	1,17,597 13 4	72,296 15 7	5,598 11 2	15,806 4 9	1,39,002 13 3
Courts of Session .	...	400 0 0	400 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0	360 0 0	...	400 0 0
Grand Total.	35,999 13 2	1,29,301 3 4	1,65,301 0 6	1,17,637 13 4	72,336 15 7	5,958 11 2	15,806 4 9	1,39,402 13 3

No. VIII.

Central Provinces for the year 1890.

B—Cash

Dr			Cr.					Dr.
Balance to be realized.	Balance in hand at close of last year.	Total of columns 5 and 11.	Paid as compensation to complainants or injured parties under Section 54, Cr. P.	Paid as rewards.	Refunded on account of fines reversed after realization.	Paid into the Treasury to credit of Government or Municipal fund (Municipal and Gambling Acts)	Total.	Balance in hand or in deposit.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Rs. a p	Rs a. p	Rs a p	Rs. a p	Rs a p	Rs. a p	Rs a p	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1,606 2 6	244 5 9	15,587 7 3	1,047 15 3	370 0 0	1,275 8 0	12,692 13 6	15,386 4 9	201 2 6
728 0 11	196 8 6	4,318 5 0	588 4 0		...	3,415 6 6	4,003 10 6	314 10 6
666 15 3	495 12 0	6,869 14 9	627 0 9	117 0 0	25 0 0	5,481 8 0	6,250 8 9	619 6 0
440 5 6	284 7 6	8,065 12 3	1,003 3 6	10 0 0	402 0 0	6,101 13 9	7,517 1 3	548 11 0
617 11 8	..	3,074 0 3	59 0 0	49 0 0	85 0 0	2,966 0 3	2,999 0 3	75 0 0
1,992 12 8	119 2 0	11,991 12 5	839 15 9	176 0 0	100 0 0	10,693 8 8	11,809 8 5	182 4 0
1,534 12 1	344 14 0	9,817 4 11	466 13 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	8,904 7 2	9,381 4 2	436 0 9
1,869 15 4	241 9 0	3,060 5 11	352 12 6	18 0 0	9 10 0	2,360 10 11	2,741 1 5	319 4 6
200 0 0	312 9 3	3,904 6 3	143 12 0	13 0 0	5 0 0	3,504 7 0	3,666 3 0	238 3 3
306 12 3	44 12 0	1,959 15 9	122 8 9	...	10 0 0	1,702 10 6	1,835 8 3	124 12 6
4,259 6 9	135 14 0	9,389 2 1	246 0 0	23 0 0	...	8,777 10 1	9,046 10 1	342 8 0
785 11 9	417 15 9	3,979 2 0	483 10 9	45 0 0	46 0 0	3,210 1 0	3,784 12 6	194 5 6
2,769 2 6	386 1 10	8,050 8 2	321 15 6	15 0 0	17 12 0	7,430 9 0	7,785 5 0	265 3 2
1,078 5 9	62 12 0	3,826 14 6	415 2 0	6 0 0	23 0 0	3,148 4 0	3,622 6 6	204 8 0
3,693 3 10	226 0 0	7,885 12 5	303 6 0	20 0 0	...	7,276 0 11	7,599 6 11	286 5 6
669 11 6	181 8 0	8,802 8 3	418 8 0	...	3 0 0	8,042 10 3	8,464 2 3	338 6 0
309 5 6	117 4 0	4,489 0 6	389 12 3	40 0 0	...	3,995 13 3	4,425 9 6	63 7 0
2,360 11 6	365 8 3	6,702 6 6	501 9 6	...	310 0 0	5,687 15 0	6,499 8 6	203 0 0
25,898 3 3	4,176 15 10	1,21,774 13 2	8,361 5 6	907 0 0	2,316 14 0	1,05,892 7 6	1,16,977 11 0	4,957 2 2
...	...	40 0 0	...	.	...	40 0 0	40 0 0	...
25,898 3 3	4 176 15 10	1,21,814 13 2	8,361 5 6	907 0 0	2,316 14 0	1,05,432 7 6	1,17,017 11 0	4,957 2 2

STATEMENT

Duration Statement of the Districts of the

Districts	A.—Police Cases.											
	No. of Cases.											
	Detail according to their duration.										Total number of cases.	Total number of days.
	1 day.	2 days	3 days	4 days	5 to 7 days	8 to 10 days	11 to 15 days	16 to 20 days.	21 to 30 days	Above 30 days.		
1	2										3	4
Nagpur ..	329	95	43	35	65	48	51	52	20	25	763	4,800
Chanda ...	225	54	21	8	17	23	28	9	16	22	423	2,629
Bhandara .	357	72	19	16	25	38	40	24	25	13	629	3,190
Wardha ...	166	58	25	18	30	13	34	15	24	35	418	3,919
Balaghat ...	118	36	23	8	16	15	13	16	5	10	260	1,480
Jubbulpore ..	1,003	228	106	55	103	91	116	77	69	40	1,891	9,548
Saugor ..	701	257	170	93	121	60	90	56	33	28	1,609	7,805
Damoh ..	349	17	17	5	11	16	12	6	4	4	444	1,176
Seoni ...	282	67	37	23	40	29	30	7	12	7	534	2,177
Mandla ..	234	20	6	11	17	11	13	12	7	3	334	1,285
Hoshangabad ..	374	70	30	20	35	57	63	30	21	16	725	4,069
Betul ..	182	35	31	12	9	17	18	12	12	14	335	1,923
Narsinghpur .	439	90	38	14	40	61	60	41	43	21	845	5,168
Chhindwara ..	162	25	8	5	14	27	19	11	5	6	282	1,336
Nimar ..	292	55	23	10	20	14	18	5	6	3	454	1,410
Raipur ...	470	111	62	30	59	68	52	39	45	31	973	5,753
Sambalpur ..	444	135	47	14	55	38	41	22	21	14	833	3,612
Bilaspur ...	300	103	58	35	48	50	50	37	32	15	731	4,519
Total .. 1890 ..	6,433	1,528	773	412	731	675	748	474	402	307	12,483	65,799
Total .. 1889 ..	6,755	1,505	738	420	778	681	712	409	370	289	12,662	63,555

No. LX.

Central Provinces for the year 1890.

B —Cases on Complaint.

Average duration (in days and tenths of days) of each case	Total number of days (counting from date of apprehension)	Average duration of each case (counting from date of apprehension)	No of Cases. Detail according to their duration. 1 to 4 days	5 to 7 days	8 to 10 days	11 to 15 days	16 to 20 days.	21 to 30 days	31 to 45 days	Above 45 days.	Total number of cases (plus col 3 corresponding with col 8 St. IV).	Total number of days.	Average duration (in days) of each case	Total number of days (counting from date of appearance in Court)	Average duration of each case (counting from date of appearance in Court).
5	6	7	8								9	10	11	12	13
6·2	7,136	9 3	119	88	157	319	214	336	270	312	1,815	50,067	27 6	22,055	15 0
6 2	4,249	10 0	31	17	31	8	47	117	9	74	49	13,409	27 0	7,060	14 2
5 1	4,749	7 3	10	15	28	7	11	109	6.	28	43	9,810	22 7	4,474	10 3
9 3	5,305	12 5	62	52	92	18.	130	218	16	209	1,001	33,305	30 1	18,028	17 2
5 7	2,313	8 (	114	15	2(	4	28	54	3	16	32(	4,856	14 5	4,163	12 7
5 0	12,255	6 3	77	52	101	20	119	190	172	125	1,029	25,910	24 (	13,814	13 0
4 9	14,332	8 (	31	54	8(	13	98	161	115	87	76:	19,024	24 0	9,081	11·9
2 (	2,444	5 5	82	24	66	76	4(	74	49	8	43(	6,04	15 5	3,114	7 2
4 0	4,017	7 .	)	17	40	9	76	104	60	52	44:	11,25	25 0	4,356	9 0
3 8	3,069	9	6	6	21	23	18	26	9	1(	11(	2,50(	21·5	927	8 0
5 6	5,859	8 1	36	37	9	12(	101	165	155	7	78(	20,197	25 0	9,92	12 0
5 7	2,833	8 5	8	14	29	5.	4.	61	37	1(	261	5,527	21 2	2,655	10 2
6 1	7,442	8 8	306	94	9	13	104	153	131	95	1,11(	21,14	18 6	12,117	10 0
4 7	2,19.	7 8	40	55	74	14	97	129	7(	5	675	14,3(	21 2	6,911	10 2
3 1	2,468	5 4	88	25	48	147	88	124	5	1	583	9,93(	17·0	3,853	6 6
5 9	9,981	10 2	26	58	49	7(	40	78	4(	3	633	9,01(	14 2	18,063	26 8
4 3	6,171	7 4	30	16	29	7(	49	110	8	42	430	10,85	24 7	5,30	12 1
6 3	7,129	9 8	12	9	22	4	56	89	9	77	399	13,41	33 6	6,569	16 4
5 3	1,03,07	8 9	1,316	650	1,087	2,031	1,458	2,291	1695	1,327	11,855	2,81,227	23 7	1,51,17	13 0
5 0	1,03,27	8 1	1,302	740	1,251	1,908	1,484	2,028	1,437	967	11,177	2,39,680	20 6	1,29,883	11 6

STATEMENT X.

Witness Statement of the Districts of the Central Provinces for the year 1890.

Districts.	Number of witnesses discharged on											Amount paid by Magistrates on the part of Government as expenses of complainants or witnesses.	Number of witnesses who were examined.	Average payment (in fractions of a rupee) per head of witness discharged.
	The 1st day.	The 2nd day.	The 3rd day.	The 4th day.	The 5th day.	The 6th day.	The 7th day.	8th to 10th day.	11th to 15th day.	16th day or upwards.	Total.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
												Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.
Nagpur	8,311	1,503	456	201	115	36	20	23	...	...	10,668	469 11 0	9,147	0 0 8
Chanda	4,212	449	83	54	15	...	...	...	...	...	4,813	364 15 6	4,546	0 1 3
Bhandara	3,964	607	110	45	6	...	...	...	...	...	4,732	451 8 9	4,060	0 1 6
Wardha	5,121	775	280	102	37	20	14	...	...	...	6,349	209 11 0	5,477	0 0 6
Balaghat	2,126	153	87	10	..	...	...	...	...	...	2,376	185 5 6	2,273	0 1 3
Jubbulpore	9,471	1,255	455	197	31	4	12	8	...	...	11,433	755 3 0	9,565	0 1 1
Saugor	7,291	1,854	782	289	35	18	4	...	...	...	10,273	529 11 6	8,486	0 0 10
Damoh	3,357	107	34	11	...	...	4	7	...	...	3,520	215 11 0	3,237	0 1 0
Seoni	4,422	402	35	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,862	36 2 0	4,265	0 0 1
Mandla	2,119	40	...	4	...	18	...	...	..	...	2,181	283 11 3	2,007	0 2 1
Hoshangabad	6,585	258	71	17	3	1	3	8	...	...	6,946	307 11 3	6,911	0 0 10
Betul	2,189	382	132	71	20	21	...	...	...	...	2,806	64 9 0	2,302	0 0 5
Narsinghpur	1,914	167	46	16	2	7	2	11	13	...	2,178	3 15 0	1,956	...
Chhindwara	3,037	383	69	37	10	8	3	11	...	...	3,558	241 7 6	3,125	0 0 6
Nimar	2,903	559	131	56	8	4	...	...	...	...	3,661	285 13 9	3,073	0 0 3
Raipur	7,703	452	135	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,390	45 10 6	8,005	0 0 1
Sambalpur	5,053	939	182	56	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,230	144 0 6	5,779	0 0 4
Bilaspur	5,895	502	134	3	3	1	...	...	...	...	6,538	155 0 6	6,291	0 0 4
Total ... {1890 ...	85,664	10,787	3,222	1,272	288	138	62	68	13	...	1,01,514	4,749 18 9	90,505	0 0 9
{1889 ...	92,170	8,579	2,461	931	366	114	47	63	...	...	1,04,731	4,636 1 2	93,425	0 0 8

STATEMENT No. XI.

Showing previous convictions in the Districts of the Central Provinces for the year 1890.

Number of times previously convicted.	Number of persons sentenced to—							Fine only.	Whipping only.	Total.	Remarks.
	Transportation.	Imprisonment otherwise than in default of fine.									
		Above 7 years.	7 years and under.	Two years and under.	Six months and under.	Two months and under.	Fifteen days and under.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Persons previously convicted once ...	...	...	19	280	346	22	...	2	23	692	
Ditto ditto twice ...	...	...	23	188	29	...	...	...	2	242	
Ditto ditto three times ...	...	...	26	50	7	...	...	...	1	84	
Ditto ditto four times ...	...	...	18	14	2	...	...	...	...	34	
Ditto ditto five times ...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	
Ditto ditto six times ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Ditto ditto seven times ...	...	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	4	
Ditto ditto nine times ...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Ditto ditto ten times ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Ditto ditto nineteen times ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Total ...	...	...	101	535	385	22	...	2	26	1,071	

STATEMENT No. XII.

Statement of Fees levied in Non-Connizable Criminal Cases in the Districts of the Central Provinces for the year 1890.

Districts.	Court Fees levied under Rule 1 of Criminal (B) Circular No. 3 amount to be entered in the appropriate Column)								Process fee levied in part (Rule IV.)				Process fee remitted in whole (Rule IV.)	
	Under Clause I.		Under Clause II.		Under Clause III.		Under Clause IV.	Under Clause V						
	At 8 annas when process issues in respect of a single person.	Additional 4 annas for every additional person in respect of whom the same process issues.	At 1 rupee when process issues in respect of a single person.	Additional 8 annas for every additional person in respect of whom the same process issues.	At 1 rupee when process issues in respect of a single person	Additional 8 annas for every additional person in respect of whom the same process issues.	At the rate of one rupee.	At the rate of one rupee.	Number of processes	Fee levied.	Portion remitted.	Grand total of fees levied (columns 2 to 9 and 11).	Number of processes.	Amount remitted.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Rs a	Rs. a	Rs a	Rs. a	Rs a	Rs. a.	Rs. a	Rs a	Rs a	Rs. a	Rs. a	Rs a	Rs. a	Rs a
Nagpur	1,793 0	1,481 4	383 0	144 0	13 0	0 8	6 0		..		...	3,820 2	...	.
Chanda	951 0	407 0	79 0	11 8	2 0	1 0	6 0	..	6 0	1 14	1 14	1,459 6	72 0	30 4
Bhandara	742 8	235 12	93 0	6 8	1 0	1 8	..	..		.	...	1 080 4	..	..
Wardha	1,410 12	842 4	177 0	17 0	4 0	5 0	29 0	71 0	...	..	...	2,556 0	27 0	14 8
Balaghat	408 8	136 0	46 0	1 0	.	.	3 0	...	..	...		594 8	66 0	29 12
Jubbulpore ..	1,412 8	1,006 8	257 0	33 0	1 0	.	5 0	...		...	..	2,715 0	68 0	23 0
Saugor ...	921 4	665 6	131 8	15 8	..	...	.		9 0	2 12	1 8	1,756 6	746 0	239 4
Damoh	359 0	511 8	70 0	2 8		...	10 0		...	...	...	953 0	10 0	5 12
Seoni	346 0	394 0	79 0	2 0	...	...	...	..	...	..		821 0	17 0	7 0
Mandla ...	173 8	128 8	21 0	1 0		...	1 0		-	...		325 4	53 0	15 4
Hoshangabad	1,164 8	538 8	173 0	.	.	.	..	...			..	1,876 0	14 0	6 0
Betul	376 0	324 12	47 0	8 0	2 0		...	...	..	...	.	757 1.	.	...
Narsinghpur	866 0	725 12	168 8	32 0	2 0	1 0	.	..		...	...	1,795 4	67 0	21 0
Chhindwara	592 0	651 0	[illegible] 8	14 8	4 0	1 8	4 0	.	...	...	...	1 4[illegible]1	76 0	20 8
Nimar	392 12	527 0	40 0	2 0	..	..	...	.	.	-	...	961 12	76 0	28 8
[illegible]	828 8	746 12	155 12	35 0	..	..	.	...	.	..	...	1,7[illegible]9 0	...	..
Sambalpur	596 4	402 8	55 0	10 0			...	...	...	..	...	1,[illegible]3 12	94 0	38 0
Bilaspur	944 8	293 8	115 0	38 8	6 0	.	.				...	1,399 8	26 0	13 0
Total	14 278 8	10,067 14	2,218 4	374 0	37 0	10 8	64 0	71 0	15 0	4 10	3 6	27,125 12	1,412 0	501 12